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ACCOUNTANT'S CERTIFICATE.

I, WILLIAM BARCLAY PEAT, a member of the firm of R. Mackay & Co., Chartered Accountants, of 3, Lothbury, London, E.C., and Royal Exchange, Middlesbrough, make oath and say that I have examined the books in the Printing and Publishing Department of the *North-Eastern Daily Gazette*, Middlesbrough-on-Tees, and I find that the net number of Papers printed during the three months from 1st October to 31st December, 1890, was

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Showing an average for the 78 days during that three months on which the Paper was printed of

52,728

COPIES PER DAY.

W. B. PEAT,
Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Sworn at 4, Lothbury, in the City of London, this [illegible] day of January, 1891, before me,
THOS. B. CARTWRIGHT,
A Commissioner to administer oaths in the Supreme Court of Judicature in England.

Religious Notices.

BAPTIST CHURCH, LINTHORPE-ROAD.—REV. THOS. ARMSTRONG, 10.30 and 6.30.

[illegible] CHAPEL, PARADISE-ROW, STOCKTON.—Sunday, February 15th. Preacher, Morning and Evening, REV. G. H. BEELEY.

ST. GEORGE'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, STOCKTON.—To-morrow: Preacher, REV. THOMAS HOWELL, 10.30 and 6.30.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Corporation-road, Middlesbrough. 10.30 and 6.30. Preacher, REV. GEO. SAMUEL, M.A.

SPIRITUAL HALL.—Sunday, 11, Circle; 6.30, "The Utility of Phrenology" (illustrated). Monday, 7.30, Supper and Social. Admission 4d.

BROUGHAM-STREET CHAPEL, MIDDLESBROUGH.—To-morrow, Preacher for the day: MR T. THURGOOD, of York.

BRUNSWICK WESLEYAN CHAPEL, STOCKTON-ON-TEES. Sunday, Feb. 15, 10.30 and 6.30, Rev. W. STEVENSON.

REDCAR BAPTIST CHURCH.—Preacher for Next Sunday: REV. J. H. CARTER, Rawdon College.

NEW MISSION HALL, NELSON-TERRACE, STOCKTON.—To-morrow, MRS GODDARD, at 11; 3; and 6.30. Subject, "THE CHURCH ON FIRE."

CHRIST CHURCH, MIDDLESBROUGH.—REV. JOHN BEVAN will preach TO-MORROW. 10.30 a.m., "TEN TALENTS." 6.30 p.m., "JOSEPH MAZZINI."

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, QUEEN'S-TERRACE.—REV. J. P. JAMES. 10.45 a.m.; 6.30 Monthly Lecture, "The People v. Politics, Rents, [illegible]."

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ENGLAND, NEWPORT-ROAD. ANNIVERSARY SERVICES TO-MORROW. Preacher: The REV. W. ROGERSON, of Warkworth. Services, 10.30 and 6.30. Special collections.

ZION LOVE MEMORIAL CHURCH, MIDDLESBROUGH.—CHURCH ANNIVERSARY To-morrow. Preacher, REV. G. COATES: 10.30, "[illegible] and Service;" 6.30, "Our Victorious Weapons or Secularism Defeated."—A cordial [illegible].

MIDDLESBROUGH TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.—SUNDAY, February 15th, 8.15 [illegible] Room, Temperance Hall. Chairman: COUNCILLOR R. BURROWS. Speaker, the [illegible] P. J. COCKING. Monster Sunday Closing Meeting on the 22nd.

NORMANBY-ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH, SOUTH BANK. HOME MISSION ANNIVERSARY. Sunday—REV. R. SCOTT, Morning, 10.30; Evening 6. Monday—PUBLIC MEETING at 7. REVS. A. W. CURWOOD and W. H. ROWLING.

CHRIST CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL), YARM-ROAD, STOCKTON.—Preacher for To-morrow, Mr J. TELFORD, of Middlesbrough; 10.30 [illegible]. On Monday Evening next, Feb. 16th, the Rev. B. WILKINSON, of Barnard Castle, will LECTURE on "Love, Courtship, and Marriage;" to commence at 7.30. Tickets 3d each, in aid of the new Sunday School Fund.

PARADISE CHAPEL (U.M.F.C.), MILTON-STREET, MIDDLESBROUGH. — HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.—On Sunday, Feb. 15th, 1891, Sermons will be preached by Mr A. DALZIEL, of Bishop Auckland. Morning 10.30, Evening 6.30. JUVENILE MISSIONARY MEETING at 2.30, to be addressed by Mr Dalziel and Rev. W. G. Jolly. Monday Evening, ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING will be held, to be addressed by Revs. P. J. [illegible], W. G. Jolly, and R. T. Hunter. Chair to be taken at 7.30 by R. DOVE, Esq. Collections in aid of Mission Fund.

Public Notices.

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY. —FEBRUARY 16TH.—An EXCURSION TRAIN will leave Loftus 12 50 p.m., with bookings from Brotton, Guisborough, Middlesbrough, South Stockton, &c., to LEEDS. For particulars see bills. 14

NORTH-EASTERN RAILWAY. ON SATURDAY, February 21st, HALF-DAY EXCURSION from Darlington (at 2.10 p.m.), Northallerton, Thirsk, Ripon, and Harrogate, to BRADFORD. See bills for further particulars. York, February, 1891. 14

STOCKTON AND MIDDLESBROUGH WATER BOARD.—Notice is Hereby Given that the Water will be off in South Bank, Grangetown, Eston Grange, Low Lackenby, Warrenby, Coatham, and West [illegible] from TO-NIGHT (Saturday) at midnight till TO-MORROW (Sunday) at midnight.
D. D. WILSON, General Manager.
Water Board Offices, Middlesbrough, 14th February, 1891. 14

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, on the 9th day of April, application will be made to Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, assembled at [illegible] Sessions, for the North Riding of the County of York, at Northallerton, in the said Riding, for an order for the turning, diverting, and stopping up of a certain highway in the township and parish of [illegible] in the said Riding, at a point about midway between Grangetown and South Bank, and adjoining Clay[illegible], and that the certificate of two Justices having viewed the same and that the proposed new highway is nearer and more commodious to the public, [illegible] the plan of the old and proposed new Highway, [illegible] with the Clerk of the Peace for the said Riding on the 11th day of March next. Dated the 13th day of February, 1891. [illegible], Clerk to the Eston Local Board.

NOTICE.
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACT, 1889.
SALE OF COAL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Application has been received by the Board of Trade from the Local Authority of the Borough of Middlesbrough for approval of certain BYE-LAWS which the Local Authority have made in pursuance of the 28th Section of the Weights and Measures Act, 1889, made with respect to the SALE OF COAL.

Copies of these Bye-laws can be inspected, free of charge, between 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m., at the Office of the Town Clerk, Municipal Buildings, Middlesbrough.

All persons interested are to take notice that, 21 days after this date the Board of Trade will proceed to consider the Application; and, in the meantime, they will receive any objections which may be made [illegible].

(Signed) C. CECIL TREVOR, Assistant Secretary.
Board of Trade, Harbour Department, 5th day of February, 1891. 14

TO-NIGHT AT 8, SATURDAY, FEB. 14th, 1891.
THE CARDIFF PRIZE CHOIR
Will give their
OPENING CONCERT
In the
EXCHANGE HALL, STOCKTON.
Popular Prices:—1s, 6d, and 3d.

To-morrow (SUNDAY) Two Services of Sacred Song, at 3.15 and 8.15 p.m. No charge will be made for admission, but a collection will be taken at the door on entering. An offering of silver entitles the giver to a reserved seat and a copy of the words of the pieces sang.

POPULAR CONCERTS on MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, and THURSDAY, Feb. 16, 17, 18, and 19.

TEMPERANCE HALL, DOVECOT-STREET, STOCKTON.
HERR COHEN
Attends in his rooms daily from 10 to 1.30, 3 to 5, and 7 to 9 FOR A FEW DAYS LONGER for the Sale of his PATENT MEDICAL CURATIVE COIL. Entrance to Herr Cohen's Rooms by side door from Prince Regent street.

PLEASURE CRUISE TO SOUTH OF SPAIN, CYPRUS, PALESTINE, &c. THE ORIENT COMPANY will despatch their steamship "GARONNE," 3,876 tons register, [illegible] horse power, from London, on 25th [illegible], for a 50 DAYS' CRUISE, visiting Cadiz, [illegible], Malaga, Nice, Syracuse, Santorin, Cyprus, [illegible] (for Damascus), Haifa, Jaffa (for Jerusalem), [illegible], Gibraltar. Passengers wishing to leave England at once can go overland to Nice and embark there. The "Garonne" is fitted with electric light, electric bells, hot and cold baths, &c. First-class cuisine. Managers: F. Green and Co., and Anderson, Anderson, and Co., Fenchurch avenue, London. For further particulars of above and later cruises apply to the latter firm.

Professional Visits to the North.
LEEDS EYE AND EAR DISPENSARY.
Open daily 10 to 6. (Estb. 1871.)
MR [illegible] MITCHELL, Oculist and Aurist.
Attendance at
[illegible] Hotel, Darlington, Monday, March 2.
[illegible] Hotel, Stockton, Wednesday, Feb. 11.
[illegible] Hotel, Durham, Saturday, Feb. 14.
[illegible] Hotel, Middlesbrough, Saturday, Feb. 21.
[illegible] Hotel, Pickering, Monday, Feb. 16.
[illegible] Hotel, Northallerton, Wednesday, Feb. 18.
[illegible] Hotel, Thirsk, Monday, Feb. 9.
Hours at Middlesbrough: 12 to 4.
[illegible] Eyes fitted from 20s. Spectacles, &c., supplied.

SCHOOL Trunks, Saratoga, American, Cabin, Imperial and Overland Trunks, Dress Baskets, and Hat Cases, Holdalls, Portmanteaus, Bags. [illegible] in district. Darnbrough, 24, Cleveland-street, Middlesbrough; and Redcar.

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Public Notices.

MIDDLESBROUGH TOWN HALL.

MR FELIX CORBETT'S BALLAD CONCERTS.

The Third Concert of the Series will be held on

WEDNESDAY NEXT, FEB. 18, 1891.

Doors open at 7, Concert to commence at 7 45 p.m.

MADAME NORDICA, Her first appearance in Middlesbrough.

MADAME NORDICA Will sing "Cavatina" (Gounod), &c.

MADAME NORDICA, The great American Soprano.

MADAME HOPE-GLENN Wednesday Next.

MADAME HOPE-GLENN Will sing Songs by Handel, Birch, &c.

MADAME HOPE-GLENN, The distinguished Contralto.

MR EDWARD LLOYD Will sing "The Garland" (Mendelssohn).

MR EDWARD LLOYD Will sing "Serenade" (Schubert).

MR EDWARD LLOYD Will sing "I'll Sing Thee Songs of Araby" (Clay).

MR EDWARD LLOYD Will create a New Song by Felix Corbett.

MR EDWARD LLOYD Will sing "We Cannot Part" (Felix Corbett).

MR EDWARD LLOYD On Wednesday Next.

MR SANTLEY, First appearance in Middlesbrough for Fifteen Years.

MR SANTLEY, Last Provincial appearance before leaving for Canada.

MR SANTLEY, England's Greatest Baritone.

MR SANTLEY Will sing "The Wolf" (Shield).

MR SANTLEY Will sing "Erl-King" (Schubert).

MR SANTLEY Will sing "The Vicar of Bray."

MR SANTLEY On Wednesday Next, at Town Hall, Middlesbrough.

MR FELIX CORBETT, Wednesday Next.

MR FELIX CORBETT Will play "Rondo from Concerto" (Mendelssohn).

MR FELIX CORBETT Will play "Wigenlied Henselt."

MR FELIX CORBETT Will play "Rigaudon" (Raff).

MR FELIX CORBETT'S

LAST CONCERT OF THE SEASON

MIDDLESBROUGH TOWN HALL WEDNESDAY NEXT.

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A few Reserved Seats at 3s.

Reserved Floor, 7s; Reserved Balcony, 5s; Unreserved Seats, 2s 6d and 1s.

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The whole produced under the direction of VICTOR STEVENS.
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EVERY NIGHT AT SEVEN. EVERY SATURDAY AT TWO.
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44, ALBERT-ROAD, will shortly Remove to more commodious premises at
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Public Notices.

LOSS OF THE STEAMER BEAR.
NEW TOWN HALL,
MIDDLESBROUGH,
WEDNESDAY, February 25th,
GRAND BENEFIT CONCERT
(promoted by the Apollo Male Voice Choir and an influential Committee).
ARTISTES:
SOPRANO—MISS LILY PEARCE, L.R.A.M. (of the Leeds Concerts).
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AND
THE APOLLO MALE VOICE CHOIR,
Conductor, Mr JOHN MORGAN.
Accompanists:
Miss EFFIE SMITH and Mr J. F. STEWART.

Admission: Reserved Seats, 3/- (plan at Mr Hoggett's Music Warehouse), Balcony and Second Seats, 2/-, Body of Hall, 1/-, Gallery and Area, 6d.

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Doors open at 7; Concert at 7.45; Carriages at 10.15 p.m.

STEAMER BEAR RELIEF FUND.—The steamer Bear, of Middlesbrough, was run down in the Firth of Forth on Sunday, January 11th, and as there are twelve Widows and about thirty-eight Orphans of the crew left unprovided for, a large and influential Committee has been formed for the purpose of raising a Fund for the relief of such of them as it may in the opinion of the Committee be necessary to relieve.

Believing the object to be a thoroughly deserving one, the Committee earnestly hope that the public of Middlesbrough, Whitby, Filey, and Kirkwall will co-operate in carrying the movement to a successful issue.

Subscriptions will be gratefully received by any of the Committee or by the undersigned.

M. G. COLLINGWOOD (Mayor), Treasurer.
ALFRED SOCKETT, Honorary Secretary.
Municipal Buildings, Middlesbrough, January, 1891.

THEATRE ROYAL, MIDDLESBROUGH. Monday, February 9, 1891, Engagement for Six Nights Only, of AUGUSTE VAN BIENE'S Burlesque Company in the Enormously Successful Burlesque, FAUST UP TO DATE, as played 450 times at the Gaiety Theatre, London.

On MONDAY EVENING, February 9th, 1891, and during the week, AUGUSTE VAN BIENE'S Co. in the Enormously Successful Burlesque,
FAUST UP TO DATE,
By G. R. SIMS and HENRY PETTITT.
Music by MEYER LUTZ.

OXFORD PALACE, Middlesbrough.—THIS WEEK:—Mdlle. Tina, with her Educated Cats, Rats, Mice, and Canaries; Miss Ada Rippon, Mr George Lashwood, Mdlle. Florence, Little Paul, Messrs Parker and M'Nally, Mr Charles Pateman, the Avrigny Trio. Friday, Feb. 13th, Benefit for Widows and Orphans of crew of s.s. "Bear."

GAIETY THEATRE, West Hartlepool.—This Week—Mr FRED. COOKE'S NEW MAZEPPA COMPANY.

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Miss ALICE VENLEY, the Vocalist Actress.
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LOST, on Tuesday night last, from Oxbridge-lane, a red and white Cow in calf; finder rewarded. Apply 21, Lawrence-street, Stockton. 14

10s REWARD.—Lost, on Sunday, Black Retriever and Setter Dog; detention will incur prosecution. Apply 50, Dundas-mews, Middlesbrough. 14

FOUND, on Tuesday night, 10th inst., a small Cow. Apply Wind Mill Inn, South Stockton. 14

FOUND, a Pug Bitch; if not claimed within three days will be sold. Apply 33, Pembroke-street, Middlesbrough. 16

FOUND, Black and Tan Collie; if not claimed within 3 days will be sold. Apply Langbaurgh Hall, Great Ayton. 14

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CLARK AND MOSCROP,
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STOCKTON UNION RURAL SANITARY AUTHORITY.

The Rural Sanitary Authority of the Stockton Union are prepared to receive TENDERS for the Levelling, Paving, Curbing, and Flagging (including the construction of Surface Drains and Gullies in connection with the same) of the following Streets at Haverton Hill, in the parish of Billingham—viz., Clarence-street, Oak-street, back street north of Clarence-street, back street north end of Ash, Oak, and Elm Streets, back street between Ash and Oak Streets, and back street between Oak and Elm Streets.

Plans, Sections, and Specification may be seen on application to Mr John Rodham, Surveyor to the Authority, at his office, Finkle-street, Stockton-on-Tees.

Sealed Tenders, endorsed "Tender for Paving," may be sent to me not later than 10 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, the 24th inst.

The Sanitary Authority do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

(By Order) JAS. ROBINSON,
Clerk to the Rural Sanitary Authority.
Union Offices, Stockton-on-Tees, 12th February, 1891.

BUILDERS desirous of Tendering for the Erection of Two Pair of Semi-detached Villas at North Ormesby are requested to send their names and addresses to me on or before the 19th day of February.
R. LOFTHOUSE, Architect,
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This applies to "private" [illegible] of Servants, &c.

AGENCY for Servants: Mr [illegible], 121, Linthorpe-road, Middlesbrough. [illegible] situations.

AGENCY for Servants, Mr [illegible], Derby House, Hartington-road, Stockton. [illegible] situations.

AGENCY for Servants.—[illegible], 9, Bridge-road, Stockton. Good [illegible] Wanted.

AGENCY for Servants: Mr [illegible], Mandale-road, South Stockton. Mode[illegible].

AGENTS Wanted, whole or [illegible], commission and bonus. Ireton and [illegible], Gracechurch-street, London.

AGENTS.—Insurance Agents, Timekeepers, and Foremen Wanted to Sell Jewellery on commission. Address N2, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 19

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CROOK Co-operative Society, Limited.—Wanted, a Journeyman Butcher, accustomed to a country trade; wages 28s 6d per week. Personal application to be made to the Committee on Wednesday night next, February 18th inst., at seven o'clock. Satisfactory testimonials as to character, ability, &c., required. 17

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PROFIT SHARING.

THE report just issued by the Board of Trade on the results of profit sharing, as far as they can be ascertained, will not create much enthusiasm. It will not altogether discourage those who think they discern in the system of profit sharing a means of putting an end to all conflicts and angry disputes between capital and labour, but it will not very greatly encourage the hope that the means it provides are likely soon to be tried on a scale large enough to make any appreciable difference in the general relationship between workmen and masters. Its advance is slow, and it does not appear to have secured the affection of working men, or, indeed, of employers, to any great extent. Working men especially seem to look upon it with more or less distrust. According to the report it is only in a few isolated spots, and in a firm here and there like Cassell's Publishing concern, that the system has been adopted or patiently carried out. All agree that its establishment requires much patience, as it is only after some considerable time that the men appreciate its benefits and feel its influence in creating in their minds the sentiment, as an active conviction, that their interests are the same as the interests of their employers. The small amount of profits, probably, accruing to the workmen, together with other considerations to be mentioned just now, account for the tardy acceptance of the principle on the part of the men, and for their doubtful attitude of mind in reference to it. Certainly it must be admitted that cases are given—that of Cassell's, for instance, and the well-known one of a Parisian firm—where the system has been in operation for a period long enough to test its character, which show most excellent results. All, however, depends upon the particular form which the system takes in each case. Its success in one trade or in one firm does not guarantee its success in another in which the circumstances may be quite different. The problem is by no means so easy as it looks when we have nothing before us but the sweet and attractive simplicity of the phrase "Profit sharing." The phrase looks beautiful, gives off a scent of brotherliness, and seems to be the very touch of nature which has to make all classes kin. And indeed properly understood, and wisely and justly applied, profit sharing may do much to alleviate if not to cure the chronic tortures known as the Labour Question; and employers and workmen alike, as well as all (and that includes the whole community) interested in this vital subject, will act wisely in feeling their way in the direction of profit sharing for some help in allaying the existing irritation.

But great care will have to be taken not to prejudice the movement. It may be feared that great harm has already been done by giving the impression that profit sharing was brought forward in order to kill trades unionism. Trades unionism ought not to be killed. Like every other instrument or weapon it is liable to misuse; and, unhappily, it may assume extreme forms, which, however heroic in appearance, can only injure the cause of working men ultimately. But trades unionism is the sheet anchor of labour, and is what alone can prevent its interests from being wrecked by that selfishness which invariably comes out in all business transactions, and which will gain its ends unjustly unless prevented by adequate precautions. The South London gas strike, which was caused by an attempt to work a certain kind of profit sharing, spread the feeling widely that this plan of doling out to the men small proportions of profits was designed expressly to render combinations among themselves an impossibility. That such a feeling should exist, and still more if there should be just cause for it, is nothing less than a disaster. One of the conditions of the success of the new system is that it must not in any way check or interfere with trades unionism. It may be considered quite certain that if the men have before them the alternative of profit sharing on the one hand and unionism on the other they will in an overwhelming majority choose trades unionism. We think they would be right. But if this new method, without coming into collision with the just rights of workmen, can gradually bring about a state of things fostering mutual feelings of confidence between masters and men so as to render unionism unnecessary, or extract from it all its bitterness, well and good. Let it be tried, and if it can live, can survive other methods, or maintain its place amongst them as a useful influence, it will confer upon society an invaluable blessing. But its action must be honest and sincere. There is in addition to the objection just stated a fear lest it should be had recourse to solely to incite the workers to greater industry entirely in the interests of their employers. Unquestionably working men ought to be industrious and do an honest day's work with profit sharing or without. The greatest enemies of working men are those in their own ranks who either dawdle through their tasks or do scamped work. But there is such a thing as giving a sprat to catch a whale; and if the small fractions of profit offered to the workers are accompanied with huge additional gains to the capitalist, the system thus built upon deception will not tend to produce greater harmony and confidence. The question arises, "What is for the men a fair share of profits?" Effusive persons write enthusiastically in favour of profit sharing, hail it as the panacea of all our social maladies, denounce everybody that even hints a fault or hesitates dislike; and all the time they never face the question as to what constitutes a fair share of profits. The smallest proportion they seem to think ought to be eagerly accepted by the men even when hampered with conditions which destroy their liberty. Honestly intended, the profits calculated on a just basis, not associated with the abandonment of any rights, the system of profit sharing may prove very useful; but it will fail disastrously if it be meant by employers merely as a weapon of attack.

As a matter of fact, all the schemes and movements for bettering the financial conditions of the working classes are schemes and movements for securing for them a larger share than they get at present of the profits of the labour in which they are engaged. The only difference among them all is a difference of method; the object in every case is the same, and that is to obtain for workers a larger share of the wealth they produce. Socialism seeks this object through the destruction of the capitalist class. Trades unionism seeks to accomplish the same thing by bringing to bear upon employers the force of combination which will cause them to yield to workmen a larger proportion of profits than they otherwise would. Sliding scales, which at one time promised to afford a self-acting settlement of all disputes, were designed expressly for the purpose of fairly apportioning profits. And what is now called profit sharing closely resembles in many particulars the system of sliding scales. But it is supposed to possess the peculiar advantage of being a direct inducement to the men to do work of good quality and in sufficient quantity and also to cause them to feel that they are partners in the concern. Subject to the explanation we have offered these two objects are both highly desirable. Working men, like other human beings, are all the better when influences favourable to industry and honest work are brought to bear upon them in as many forms as possible. So far as profit sharing influences workmen at all in these two directions it will be favourable, when they believe that the whole thing is not a dodge for getting more work out of them than they ought to give. But after all to what extent, under the most favourable circumstances, are they likely to be influenced by such considerations? A man dishonestly disposed, who is a very small shareholder in a railway company, will not be deterred by that fact from taking advantage of the company for his own separate advantage. The amount he will lose in dividend will be nothing to the amount he either gains or thinks he gains by his sharp practice. The weakness in co-operative production has hitherto been that each worker has been apt to regard the fact of his being one of the concern as a reason for taking it easy and trusting to all the others to make up for his slackness. Profit sharing properly understood and rightly applied has in it the possibilities of good. It ought to be encouraged, and by slow degrees it is capable of producing better sentiments as to the dignity and honesty of work.

THE Argentine Republic has other troubles besides its financial ones. The town of Cordova has narrowly escaped complete destruction from the bursting of a canal. During the night of December 20 the dyke of the canal passing by or through the town gave way, and many of the streets were almost instantaneously inundated to the depth of several feet. Upwards of 150 persons perished in the catastrophe, and the damage to property is estimated at three million dollars.

M. DE FREYCINET, the French Prime Minister and Minister of War, is a man of ideas which in former times have cost his country many millions sterling, although it cannot be fairly said that the outlays he incurred as Minister of Public Works have been unproductive. His latest grand idea is the formation of a distinct Colonial army capable of supplying an expeditionary corps of from 15,000 to 20,000 men. The force would be composed principally of volunteers for five years. But the Republic already feels itself financially overburdened, and partly from this cause and partly because colonisation is not popular with the French people, it is possible that the Chamber of Deputies will veto the scheme if it ever be practically proposed.

DR. DAWSON BURNS, of the United Kingdom Alliance, in an interesting statistical letter on the National Drink Bill for 1890, tells us that the people of the United Kingdom expended for intoxicating liquors last year the sum of £139,495,470—in round numbers 139½ millions sterling. He calculates that as the population of the United Kingdom was estimated for the middle of 1890 at 38,227,321, these figures show an average expenditure per head of £3 13s upon intoxicating liquors, or per family of five persons of £18 5s. In 1889 the expenditure per head was £3 9s 11d, and per family £17 9s 7d. Dr. Burns adds, in a form on which we do not pretend to be able to improve:—

> Comparing the expenditure upon alcohol in 1890 with other great national accounts, we find that it was one-twelfth of the estimated income of all persons in the United Kingdom, and one-fifth of the National Debt. It was between one-fifth and one-fourth of the annual value of all the property and profits on which income-tax was levied in the year ending April 5, 1890. It was 32 millions more than the whole capital of the Post Office Savings Banks and other savings banks in 1889, and 4½ times the amounts deposited in both kinds of saving banks. It was 11 times the capital of all the industrial and provident societies of the country. It was 4½ times the gross receipts from passenger traffic on all the railways of the United Kingdom in 1889, and 3½ times the gross receipts from their goods traffic, or nearly as much again as the receipts from both species of traffic combined. If we were to compare the drink expenditure in 1890 with the income of all Christian churches for all purposes of maintenance and extension, including their benevolent institutions, we should find that as the latter expenditure does not probably exceed 18 millions yearly, the nation spends on drink nearly eight times more than it does on religion, or, put in another form, that it gives to Bacchus £1 for every half-crown given to Christ.

These facts and illustrations may be left to speak for themselves.

SOME time ago an animated discussion on the subject of early closing was conducted in the columns of the *Gazette*. The correspondence then published doubtless proved of advantage in educating the public mind and in strengthening the position which the shopkeepers and their assistants have already attained. But no practical line of advance was disclosed or advocated; and a complaint was made that the Early Closing Association was not so assertive or aggressive as it ought to be. Certainly, there seem occasion and room for further reform on Tees-side and the North of England generally. The Wednesday half-holiday is a great boon; but the concession and maintenance of this half-holiday ought not by any means to be regarded as so full an attainment of the objects of the Early Closing Association as to justify the adoption of a policy of rest and be thankful. Why should not an attempt be made to secure a curtailment of the shopping hours on Saturday night? The continuance of counter work till eleven o'clock is a great hardship. Could not an hour be struck off without inconvenience to the public, and without loss to the tradesmen? No one can doubt that such a limitation would prove of great advantage to the assistants, morally as well as physically. The long Saturday night which they are presently required to spend in heated shops must unfit them not merely for the proper duties of Sunday, but for the kind of repose associated with the Day of Rest. "Absence of occupation is not rest," and in many cases all that the exhausted, listless salesman is fit for on Sunday is simply the delusive repose of "absence of occupation," which knows nothing of any morally bracing influence. The need for a shortening of the shopping hours on Saturday cannot be disputed; and it seems to us there are both wisdom and hope in the practical proposal of Mr Amos Hinton to the Streets Committee of the Middlesbrough Corporation that the town market should be closed on Saturdays at ten instead of eleven o'clock. Probably this reform would be carried with little difficulty if evidence could be provided of a general agreement among the shopkeepers of the town to shut at ten, if the market were closed at the same hour. Everybody would be advantaged by the change. The merchants and dealers would sell as much as ever, but in less time, and all classes, whether sellers or purchasers, would be free to test the truth of the proverb which teaches that "early to bed and early to rise makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise." The shortening of the trading hours on Saturday night would certainly ensure a better-kept Sunday.

IF fair weather be enjoyed to-morrow we do not doubt that the gathering of working men summoned by the Middlesbrough Trades Council to express sympathy with and to give aid to the Scotch railwaymen and blast-furnacemen will be a large and imposing demonstration. The cause of organised labour has lately been severely tried in Scotland. One of the two great strikes which have excited almost as much interest on the south as on the north side of the Tweed has been settled. The railwaymen have not obtained all that they demanded, and a number of them are still out of employment. But to a large extent the victory, though not technically, has been substantially theirs; and Mr H. Tait, representing the Scotch, and Mr Edward Harford the English Railway Society, will not to-morrow appear in the character of defeated men. On the contrary, they will, along with Mr R. A. Clark, of the General Railway Workers' Union, attend as the hopeful champions of a winning cause, and will be able to tell of steady progress, if not of a completed victory. Mr T. Carlton, of the National Blast-furnacemen, and Mr Toyn, of the Cleveland Miners' Union, who has this week addressed a series of meetings in Lanarkshire, will be able to give an account of the blast-furnacemen's strike which will show the reasonableness and moderation of the men on strike. That battle, already prolonged over several months, has now reached a crisis. The ironmasters of Lanarkshire are beginning to relight their furnaces, but as yet they have shown little disposition to meet the demands of the workmen, either as regards hours or pay or Sunday labour. The men are willing to refer the main points in the dispute, especially those regarding Sunday labour, to arbitration. But the owners seem to be afraid to commit their cause to the judgment of an impartial tribunal, and are evidently hoping to be able to win the battle by the employment of non-union labour. We hope that they will fail in this endeavour, and that the efforts now being made with the sympathy of at least a section of their number to effect a compromise, fair and honourable alike to them and the workmen, will soon be arrived at. Meanwhile what is being made clear, and will be made still clearer to-morrow, is that the responsibility for the delay of a settlement is not fairly chargeable against the Union or the workmen; and alike as regards the general labour interests involved, and the peaceable, reasonable conduct of the men, the support hitherto given by Cleveland and other districts, and the continuance of which is still required, will be fully justified. The representatives of labour fresh from the Scotch battlefields may count on the sympathy of their trade colleagues and of the great body of the industrial population of the North of England.

THE FIGHTING IN CHILI.
TWO TOWNS IN FLAMES.

Intelligence received at Buenos Ayres from Chili announces that the towns of Pisagua and Iquique have been set on fire by the bombardment of the insurgent fleet.

ARREST OF A GOVERNMENT CLERK.

A clerk in the National Education Office, Dublin, named Robert Taylor, was arrested yesterday charged with the embezzlement of a money order value £60.

AN ADVANCED IRISHMAN ON MR PARNELL.

Mr Patrick Ford, the notorious editor of the *Irish World*, in an interview on the breakdown of the negotiations, says Mr Parnell, it is plain to see, never intended to make any concession. He should have been brought up with a round turn at once, instead of being allowed to coquet for an object which any sensible man could see could never be consummated with Parnell riding such a high horse. Despite the failure of the negotiations, I have an abiding faith in Home Rule. The Liberal party are pledged to it, and Mr Gladstone cannot desert the ship now. My opinion is that it is only a question of a short time for Home Rule to be achieved. It never will be achieved, however, with Parnell on the top. He poses as a Separatist now, simply because he could not get a following in any other way. It is strange that he was not a Hillside man when he was the leader of a united party. I do not believe that he is any more of a Hillside man now than then. Much of his talk is clap trap. He has shown a faculty for falsehood unsurpassed by any man of this age. Parnell's game is "Rule and Ruin." He knows that he can never be reinstated as ruler of the party. If he had won the Kilkenny election he would not have conferred with O'Brien.

DEATH OF A RORKE'S DRIFT HERO.

Major Bromhead, of the 2nd South Wales Borderers, whose name is inseparably connected with the defence of Rorke's Drift in 1879, died at Allahabad on Tuesday of typhoid fever. Gonville Bromhead entered the army in 1867, and was promoted to be lieutenant in 1871. He served with his regiment in the Zulu War of 1879, and took part (as second in command to Lieutenant Chard, of the Royal Engineers) in the gallant and successful defence of Rorke's Drift on the 22nd and 23rd of January, for which service he was mentioned in despatches, promoted to be Captain and Brevet-Major, and won the Victoria Cross and medal with clasp. The following is the reference in the despatches:—"The Lieutenant-General commanding the troops reports that, had it not been for the fine example and excellent behaviour of these two officers under the most trying circumstances, the defence of Rorke's Drift Post would not have been conducted with that intelligence and tenacity which so essentially characterised it. The Lieutenant-General adds that its success must, in a great degree, be attributed to the two young officers who exercised the chief command on the occasion in question." Major Bromhead, who gained substantive rank in 1883, served with the Burmese Expedition, 1885-88, for which he gained the medal with clasp. The death of Major Bromhead takes us back to January, 1879, when England was stirred with excitement by news of the disaster to the British arms at Isandlana, where infuriated and warlike Zulus all but annihilated a British force left to guard the camp while Lord Chelmsford was fighting at Dartnell to clear the way for further advance. Much irritation was caused in the public mind by this disaster, when news came of another fight in which British heroism appeared in such glowing colours as to cause a feeling of elation to prevail. This was the gallant defence of Rorke's Drift by Lieut. Chard, R.E., and Lieut. Gonville Bromhead, with 80 of the 24th Regiment. Through some of the fugitives who had escaped from the slaughter the officers heard of the disaster at Isandlana. Believing that the victorious Zulus would attempt to cross into Natal, they prepared, if possible, to defend the Drift till help should come. Defences had to be improvised. They had barely finished a hasty barricade of bags and biscuit tins when the Zulus, gathering round, began to pour in their fire. They numbered in all about 4,000. The attack lasted the greater part of the night. Six times the enemy got within the barricade, but were driven out at the point of the bayonet. Creeping to the rear, they set fire to the hospital. At dawn the assailants withdrew. But afterwards, looking towards Isandlana, the defenders descried a fresh host advancing. However, soon they saw, to their relief, that it was Lord Chelmsford's jaded men, and these latter, too, were glad to find that Englishmen still held the Drift. Around the entrenchment 351 Zulus lay dead.

RELIEF OF COUGH AND ASTHMA IN TEN MINUTES BY DR. LOCOCK'S PULMONIC WAFERS.—From Mr Fox, Omnibus Office, Whitfield-road, Liverpool.—"After years of severe suffering, and fearing many and many a night I should have died from suffocation, &c., I was induced to try Dr. Locock's Wafers. Ten minutes after I had taken two Wafers I felt relief." Sold by all druggists at 1s 1½d and 2s 9d per box.—ADVT. 1x

TEMPERANCE HALL, DOVECOT-STREET, STOCKTON.—Herr Cohen will attend in his rooms daily from 10 to 1, 3 to 5, and 7 to 9, for a few days longer for the sale of his patent Medical Curative Coil. Note.—Entrance to Herr Cohen's rooms by side door only Prince Regent street.—ADVT.

COUNT MATTEI'S ELECTRO-HOMŒOPATHIC MEDICINES FOR ALL DISEASES.—Their efficacy is attested by persons of distinction in all parts of Europe, including Emperor and Empress of Austria, H.R.H. Ludwig of Bavaria, Princess Worontzoff, Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, General Ignatieff, Cardinal Lavigerie, Lady Paget, Duchess of Argyll, Lady Heron, Dr. Kennedy, L.C.S., L.R.C.P., Ed., Dr. Theobald, M.A., M.R.C.S., &c., &c. See their letters, telegrams, &c., in "Review of Reviews" for January. Sole Agent for this district, Mr H. H. Readman, 6, Richmond-road, Stockton. Descriptive circular free on application. Consultations, 5 to 7 p.m.—ADVT.

CHLORO-LINSEED Cough Lozenges, post free, 7d. Of Chemists.—ADVT.

KAY'S COMPOUND Essence of Linseed, Aniseed, Senega, Squill, Tolu, with Chlorodyne, 9½d—ADVT.

LONDON NOTES.

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE AND EXTRA[illegible])
LONDON, [illegible]

In a complimentary article to-day on [illegible] of Wales, the *Speaker* refers with regret to [illegible] ported association of the Heir Apparent [illegible] gambling scandal. "His great place [illegible] temporary remarks, "entails great duties [illegible] may be even greater here in [illegible] not believe that he will be found wanting [illegible] one thing he may rest assured, that nothing [illegible] more seriously injure him in the eyes of the [illegible] than the suspicion, however ill founded it [illegible] that he has any part with those who [illegible] leisure and ample wealth seem to be [illegible] the pursuit of amusements [illegible] as demoralising both to the [illegible] tices and the community which [illegible] them."

Mr Dillon is reported to have declared [illegible] will never again serve under the leadership [illegible] Parnell. The attitude of the member [illegible] Mayo will have great effect in Ireland [illegible] materially weaken the position of Mr Par[illegible] O'Brien heard the declaration made by Mr [illegible] but whether he concurs in it is uncertain [illegible] he is supposed to be favourable to Mr [illegible] personally, he acknowledges that [illegible] has become impossible. There is still the [illegible] some hope that when Mr O'Br[illegible] prison he will join Mr Dillon in the action [illegible] tion of the policy of the Parliamentary pa[illegible]

I have just heard that Mr C[illegible] thrown off Mr Parnell. Mr Par[illegible] thousand pounds, and Mr Gholes [illegible]

The Newspaper Bill has been [illegible] Algernon Borthwick, Mr John Leng [illegible] A. Dickson, all influential newspaper [illegible]

Mr Henry Stanley has made arrangements [illegible] sail for England on the 15th of [illegible] private letter he describes himself [illegible] out by the rush of his lecturing engagements [illegible] the United States.

The Queen's visit to the Villa [illegible] Florence will probably be abandoned [illegible] report received of the sanitary [illegible] water supply has been anything [illegible]

Her Majesty has given directions [illegible] rangements should be made for [illegible] the public, at an early date, the [illegible] menade at the Tower of London [illegible] Sundays.

In his lecture on Canada, [illegible] Whitehall Rooms, Hotel Metropole [illegible] Aberdeen mentioned that he [illegible] acquaintance of a French con[illegible] blessed with no fewer than [illegible] French inhabitants, he says, are [illegible] but a prolific race, large families [illegible]

It is stated that the new B[illegible] will be the Rev. W. Ince, D.D. [illegible] of Divinity in the University of [illegible] formerly Fellow and tutor of [illegible] Ince is an old-fashioned High Church[illegible] no sympathy with the modern [illegible] party. In politics he is a Tory.

The news of the death of the [illegible] son, who recently retired from [illegible] Brixton Independent Church [illegible] ceeded the Rev. Baldwin B[illegible] ceived with regret by a wide [illegible] He was at Montreal, where [illegible] months' rest might have re[illegible] terday the news reached London [illegible] passed away.

There was a report in the [illegible] that Mr Henry Broadhurst [illegible] condition of health that he [illegible] seat for West Nottingham. [illegible] health has been a source of anxiety [illegible] for some time past, and [illegible] will offer himself for re-election [illegible] ham at the General Election [illegible] improbable that he will resign [illegible]

It has been arranged that the [illegible] cess of Wales will visit Denmark [illegible] probably at the end of May or [illegible] June. They will stay at the [illegible] Fredensborg, and will probably [illegible] England from a fortnight to [illegible] party there will be quite in [illegible] one, as the Czar and Czarina [illegible] Duchess of Cumberland are expected [illegible] at the same period, and will stay [illegible] borg.

One of the prettiest brides of [illegible] Miss Hyacinthe Scott Kerr, [illegible] bride, who will become Lady Ho[illegible] one day next month. Miss Kerr, who [illegible] belle in Edinburgh society, was the [illegible] the most charming portraits in the [illegible] at the Royal Academy. The [illegible] figure, with the well-poised, sh[illegible] hair, and the artistic [illegible] made a picture which [illegible] critics and visitors.

There is one anecdote connected [illegible] Patti's recent legal adventure [illegible] not yet been told. When the [illegible] her in German she at once [illegible] don't speak German—please tell [illegible] have to say in French." The [illegible] politely, and only said, "I [illegible] madame, and played in the or[illegible] sang here twenty five years ago [illegible] me then in perfect German. You [illegible] forgotten it all yet." But [illegible] charge her memory so far, and [illegible] tinuing the interesting conversa[illegible]

The statement has been printed that [illegible] Gordon Cumming had signed a paper [illegible] offence with which the five accusers [illegible] The most authoritative information [illegible] trary. The paper signed by [illegible] undertaking not to play at cards [illegible] signed strongly protesting his [illegible] It should be recollected that he [illegible] the advice of friends. On the one [illegible] five accusers, and on the other [illegible] the shock of this charge, which [illegible] terrible if he were innocent. Besides [illegible] the Prince, anxious to act the [illegible] all costs prevent the scandal of [illegible] lieve that when Sir William had [illegible] consulting his friends he withdr[illegible]

It is clear that the employers' [illegible] Home Office against Sir Henry James's [illegible] Bill has borne fruit. Yesterday the member for Bury had a long interview [illegible] residence with the leading representatives [illegible] Lancashire operatives, and [illegible] to them that some modification [illegible] be made. The delegates frankly [illegible] view, and showed every rea[illegible] ciliatory attitude. There is no [illegible] that the Bill may be so amended [illegible] of the workpeople that it will [illegible] employers. It will be observed [illegible] the interview with Mr [illegible] it is likely that the 11th cla[illegible] the workmen shall be supplied [illegible] mation as to the material [illegible] entirely, and that the [illegible] amended as to become practi[illegible]

On the question of Mr Glad[illegible] lation with the parish of St. [illegible] details may be interesting. As a [illegible] his father's house, No. 6, [illegible] he entered Parliament he [illegible] Albany. After he married he [illegible] to his father's house, and [illegible] Gladstone till he bought [illegible] Terrace. This he sold to [illegible] he bought No. 11, Carlton House [illegible] ably fine house, which, with [illegible] residence in Downing [illegible] home till 1875. In that year [illegible] private affairs, which had [illegible] take care of themselves w[illegible] Minister, necessitated rem[illegible] tious house, and Mr Gladst[illegible] terrace home to the late [illegible] and went to live in H[illegible] curious that this was [illegible] of living in a street [illegible] behind, for Downing-street [illegible] was much distressed by the [illegible] Carlton Gardens and Carlton [illegible] lightest houses in London [illegible] back and front; and not the [illegible] of the great victory of 1880 was [illegible] Mr Gladstone to forsake the [illegible] London for the bright and spa[illegible] the official residence of the [illegible] Treasury.

All who appreciate a really good [illegible] should try Messrs Fry and Sons' [illegible] Soluble Cocoa. Sir Chas. Cameron, [illegible] the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland [illegible] never tasted Cocoa I like so well [illegible] few who would not like this [illegible] Fry's Pure Concentrated Cocoa.—ADVT.

CHEAP LINES.—Strawberry, [illegible] Currant Jam, 2lb. jar, 8½d—guaranteed [illegible] Morton's, 20, Linthorpe-road.—ADVT.

KAY'S TIC PILLS, specific in Neuralgia, [illegible] ache, 9½d and 13½d; postage, 1d. [illegible]

THE SUPPOSED CAPTURE OF THE "RIPPER."

THE MAN NOT RECOGNISED.

A FURTHER ARREST.

In connection with the arrest recorded on another page, a telegram at three o'clock says: A foreman at St. Katherine's Docks, who saw the murdered woman with a man a quarter of an hour before the discovery of her body, was taken to Leman-street Police Station, but he failed to recognise Sadler as the woman's companion.

A SECOND ARREST.

The police have since made another arrest of a suspicious person at Lan Bridge Station at two o'clock and he was at once taken to Leman-street Police Station also.

ANOTHER HORRIBLE MURDER

A HUSBAND BATTERS HIS WIFE TO DEATH.

A Godmanchester correspondent telegraphs:—Yesterday Samuel Mason, who keeps a small shop here murdered his wife by beating her about the head and face with a cricket bat and a broomstick. She only survived her injuries three hours. Mason, who is alleged to be of weak mind, was arrested and taken before the Magistrates and remanded on a charge of wilful murder. Mason and his wife were both over seventy years of age.

AN INTERESTING MARRIAGE.

The civil marriage of Mademoiselle Jeanne Hugo, grand-daughter of Victor Hugo, and M. Leon Daudet, son of the celebrated novelist, took place on Thursday evening in the Mairie at Plassy, a suburb of Paris. Hundreds of impatient spectators swarmed the building, even the stairs being occupied and rendered almost impassable so that the guests provided with invitation cards had the greatest possible difficulty in obtaining admission. The invited guests included many political and literary celebrities, among them MM. Clémenceau, Jules Ferry, Alexandre Dumas, Renan, and Claretie. The Mairie was splendidly decorated and upholstered, the floral decorations being particularly effective. Mademoiselle Hugo, who was dressed in white, entered leaning upon the arm of M. Lockroy, her step-father. In the course of the ceremony M. Jules Simon delivered a graceful speech, in which he congratulated the bride upon having inspired one of her grandfather's literary masterpieces—"l'Art d'être Grand-Père," a work which had made him famous in every country in which his writings were known. During the ceremony an orchestra played a selection of appropriate music, in accordance with a quite recent innovation at the civil portion of Parisian weddings. An almost interminable procession of friends pressed forward to congratulate the newly-wedded pair and relatives. When the bride and bridegroom left the building arm in arm they were received by the crowd with murmurs of sympathy and admiration. It is the intention of M. Daudet and his bride to dispense with the religious ceremony altogether.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

The Speaker took the chair shortly after three o'clock yesterday.—A private Bill, the Nelson's Pillar (Dublin) Bill, which stood for the second reading, aroused the antagonistic feelings of Irishmen on the opposite side of the House on the question of national interest. The object of the Bill was for the removal of the Nelson monument from its present prominent position in Sackville-street to another less prominent position in Dublin on the ground that it now obstructed the traffic.—Mr MACARTNEY opposed the Bill from the Irish Conservative bench, and declared that the plea of obstruction was foolish and futile. Mr MacArtney compared the artistic merits of The O'Connell and Nelson monuments, and while he admitted that the latter had not the artistic merits of the former—(Nationalist laughter)—yet it served a most useful purpose as a shelter from the traffics. The Corporation of Dublin merely desired by this plea of obstruction to traffic to throw a veil over their designs. (Irish Conservative cheers.) He moved the rejection of the Bill.—Mr JOHNSTON formally seconded the rejection.—Mr SEXTON denied that there was any political design at the bottom of this Bill. (Cheers.) If there were such an animus surely it would be most provoked in regard to [illegible] of ascendancy, the statue of James III., which the Corporation had just spent money to rescue from unsightly condition. (Ministerial cheers.)—Mr MACARTNEY said he had made no inference of party spirit. ("Oh!" and cheers.)—Mr SEXTON: Then we will leave politics out of the question. (Hurrah!) But the hon. gentleman said the Bill was only promoted by buccaneering traders. Who were the promoters? Among them were the London and North-Western Railway Company. (Cheers and laughter.) Was the First Commissioner of Works to hear his concern thus decried? (Renewed cheers and laughter.) Other promoters were Sir Arthur Guinness, Son, and Co., and the successors of W. Smith and Co. (Loud laughter.) To think of the First Lord's Successors as "buccaneering traders." (Renewed laughter.) Proceeding the hon. gentleman spoke of the Nelson pillar being supported on the one side by the tram station, and on the other by the fire escape. (Loud laughter.) That was a work of considerable difficulty. (Renewed laughter.)—Colonel WARING and the SOLICITOR-GENERAL FOR IRELAND opposed, and Mr T. D. SULLIVAN and Mr MURPHY supported the Bill.—Admiral FIELD, as a naval officer, protested against this Bill. He hoped sentiment was not altogether dead in this country—(laughter)—and monuments of our immortal heroes were not so many that they could afford to lose this "sermon in stone." (Renewed laughter.) If the streets were not wide enough let 'em pull down the four corner shops. (Renewed laughter.)—Mr [illegible] HOUSTON supported, and General FRASER and Sir E. J. HARLAND opposed the Bill.—Mr HEALY asked what better argument could they have of the necessity for Home Rule than that the House of Commons would not let the citizens of Dublin deal with an obstruction with their own traffic. "I say," added Mr Healy, "do what you like and give my blessing." (Cheers and laughter.)—Mr [illegible] also pointed the Home Rule argument, and after nearly an hour and a half had been consumed the House divided, and there were: For the Bill, 129; against, 135. The result was received with [illegible] cheers.

NOTICES.

The notices of motion included Mr James Stuart to call attention on that day four weeks to the unfair incidence of local taxation in London and other towns, and move a resolution.—Mr Samuel Evans to call attention on the same day to the necessity for the appointment of sub-[illegible] inspectors of mines, and to move a resolution.—General Fraser to call attention to the [illegible] system of purchase officers in the army and move a resolution.

[illegible] ADMINISTRATION IN EGYPT.

Sir J. FERGUSSON told Mr Bryce there was every reason for hoping that the reforms suggested by Justice Scott in his report on native tribunal and judicial administration in Egypt would be carried out by the Government of the Khedive.

THE RECENT CARD-PLAYING SCANDAL.

Mr [illegible] asked the Home Secretary whether his attention had been called to the playing of baccarat at Tranby Court, Doncaster, and whether he intended to take any steps to punish the offenders.—Mr MATTHEWS: I have no information on this subject beyond the newspaper paragraphs. It is not an offence against the gaming laws to play baccarat in a private house.

GOVERNMENT AND LABOUR QUESTIONS.

Mr SYDNEY BUXTON drew attention to the [illegible] of the Government Contracts Act as regarded sub-contracting, and the payment of trade prices, and moved that clauses should be inserted in all Government contracts requiring that the contractor should, under penalty, observe the recognised customs and conditions as to rates of wages and working hours that prevailed in each particular trade, and that the contractor should, under penalty, be prohibited from sub-letting any portion of his contract except when the department specifically allowed the sub-letting of such special portions of the work as would not be produced or carried out by the contractor in the ordinary course of his business.—Mr [illegible] seconded the resolution, and thought it would be generally admitted that when labour was underpaid, or poorly paid, it invariably led to inferior work. Sweating and jerrymandering were the result of bad pay, and if the Government desired to secure skilled and capable workmen it was of the highest importance that they should be prepared to pay the current rate of wages. (Hear, hear.)—Mr [illegible] moved the following amendment:—"That in the opinion of this House, it is the duty of the Government in all Government contracts to make provision against the evils recently disclosed before the House of Lords Sweating Committee, and to insert such conditions as may prevent the abuses arising from sub-letting, and to make every effort to secure payment of the rates of wages current for competent persons in each trade."—This was accepted without a division.—The House was counted out at 7.30.

WATCH, CLOCK, AND JEWELLERY REPAIRS.—All cases executed by proficient workmen. Satisfaction guaranteed at reasonable charges; no apprentices kept. F. Cowley, High-street, Stockton.—ADVT.

COAGULINE.—Cement for Broken Articles, 6d and 1s, postage 2d. Sold everywhere.—ADVT.

"SAPO-LINI," containing Linseed Jelly, is a perfumed Emulsive Toilet Soap. Of Chemists.—ADVT.

COLMAN'S SINAPISM.—The Improved Mustard Plaster, three for seven stamps. All chemists and Messrs Colman's, 108, Cannon-street, London.—ADVT

A FAIR BEAUTIFUL SKIN.—Sulpholine Soap gives the natural tint and peach-like bloom of a perfect complexion; makes the Skin smooth, supple, healthy, comfortable. 6d Tablets. Everywhere.—ADVT

Cowley's Presentation Clocks, Bronzes, Silver and Electro-plate, Cutlery Canteens, all of the Newest designs. 131, High-street, Stockton.—ADVT

North Country News.

TO-NIGHT!—Try Willis's 3/6 Hats, 1/- Ties. "The Great White Hat," 25, Newport-road.—ADVT.

CONSUMPTION.—Dr. Koch Cures Consumption. Harburn's Pectoral Balsam prevents it. See Page 4.—ADVT.

William Reid will Show on Monday in his Cannon-street Windows Extraordinary Lines in Black Cashmere and French Merinos.—ADVT.

Mr Tim Healy, M.P., has promised to address a meeting in the Exchange Hall, Stockton, on the 14th March.

NORTON (STOCKTON) BIRD SHOW.—The result of this show, held at the opening of the year, is that the Society, after meeting all expenses, have about £10 to the good.

NEWPORT-ROAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Anniversary Services to-morrow. Preacher, the Rev. W. Rogerson, of Warkworth. At 10.30 and 6.30. Anthems by the choir.—ADVT.

TO-MORROW!—Centenary Chapel (Market-place). Preacher, 10.30, Rev. P. J. Cocking; 2.30, Adult Bible Class, Rev. W. J. Boote; 6.30, Mr H. Swaby. Come!—ADVT.

Crossley Brothers' New Horizontal Otto Engine (without slides) can be seen working any day at Alf. Field's Printing Works, behind Cleveland-terrace, Middlesbrough.—ADVT.

SOUTH STOCKTON FREE LIBRARY.—The contract for erecting this building has been let to Messrs Johnson and Hanby, Stockton. The architect is Mr H. Weatherill, Stockton, who will supervise the carrying out of the work.

RAPID WRITING, &c.—Smart and Co., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, receive pupils every Thursday, from 3 till 9, at the Oddfellows' Hall, Middlesbrough, for instruction in Penmanship, Book-keeping, Shorthand, Arithmetic. &c.—ADVT.

Owing to a large arrival of Boys' Odd Garments (Knickers and Jackets suitable for school wear) our Sale will be Continued 10 Days Longer. All Goods Reduced except Cords and Moles. Levy's, Bridge-street, Middlesbrough.—ADVT.

DROWNING FATALITY NEAR YARM.—Yesterday a man named Henry Smith was found drowned in the Tees near Yarm by two men named O'Shaughnessy and Garbutt. He had gone down the Tees with his boat for sand, and the loaded boat was found at the bottom of the river on Thursday. Deceased is supposed to have fallen over whilst anchoring his boat.

NORTH ORMESBY COTTAGE HOSPITAL.—The hon. treasurer (Mr John G. Swan) desires to acknowledge receipt of the following contributions, with thanks:—Jordison and Co., Limited (men), £10 10s 7d; Anderston Foundry Company, Limited (men), £9 15s; Downey and Co.'s men, £5; Ormesby and Normanby mines (men), £1 7s 8d; North-Eastern Steel Company, Limited (men), £2 13s 3d; J. Saville and Co's box, 7s 8d; Mr Geo. Clarke's box, North Ormesby Toll-bar, £1 17s 8½d; R. Dodd's men, £2 12s; and the Corporation men, £9 15s 9d.

BLUE RIBBONISM AT GREAT AYTON.—The Blue Ribbonists of Great Ayton had a fruit banquet in the Village Hall last evening, presided over by Mr A. E. Kitching, J.P., of Ayton Firs, who, in his opening address, strongly denounced the growing custom of drinking and gambling now so prevalent amongst all classes of the community, and wished employers of labour would make it a rule, as he did in Darlington, that no intoxicating liquors under penalty of instant dismissal should be brought inside the works. Afterwards a lengthy musical programme was gone through.

A SEDGEFIELD WILL CASE.—At the Durham Court of Chancery yesterday Mr Porter, solicitor, applied under the Trustee Act, 1850, for a vesting order as to certain freehold properties situate at Spennymoor, belonging to the estate of the late Lew Hall Swinbank, of Breckon Hill, Sedgefield, farmer, &c. Mr Porter said the property had recently been sold by auction, and as both the trustees of the testator's will were dead, and it was not known who the heir-at-law of the survivor was, it was desirable that the Court should appoint someone to convey the properties to the purchasers.—The Registrar said a vesting order was unnecessary.—Mr Porter asked for an order appointing the Registrar to convey the properties, which was accordingly made.

LIBERAL WARD MEETING AT STOCKTON.—A joint meeting for the North-West and Central Wards of Stockton was held in the Congregational School-room, Alma-street, last night.—Councillor Bedford, who presided, spoke of the Northampton victory as being additional evidence of the wave of Liberal conviction now overwhelming the country.—The Ward appointments were made as follows:—Central Ward: Chairman, Councillor Bedford; vice-chairman, Councillor Burn; secretary, Mr W. J. Mott; executive representatives (in addition to the foregoing), Messrs J. Thompson, J. Groves, and D. McNaughten. North-West Ward: Chairman, Rev. G. S. Ordish; vice-chairman, Mr J. Henderson; ward secretary, Mr John Jewitt; executive representatives (with the foregoing), Messrs H. Dunkall, J. Fordy, and C. J. O'Dowd. Ward general committees were also appointed.

INCREASED SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION AT SKELTON.—At yesterday's meeting of the Skelton and Stanghow School Board, Mr T. Petch presiding, a letter was read from the Education Department asking what steps the Board were taking to provide the accommodation for 120 children still required on the north side of the railway.—Plans were laid before the Board for enlarging the Skelton Green, Stanghow Lane, and North Skelton schools so as to accommodate 60 more children at each place.—Mr Charlton moved, and Mr Milligan seconded, that the Skelton Green and North Skelton Schools be enlarged according to plans.—The Chairman proposed as an amendment that only the enlargement at Stanghow Lane be carried out.—After an animated discussion Mr Charlton's motion was carried.—A deputation of ratepayers from Charlton's Houses attended to complain of the hardship of sending their children all the way to Boosbeck to attend school.

A PROSPEROUS YOUNG COMPANY.—The report for the first year's working of Messrs Appleton, French, and Scrafton, Limited, which was issued yesterday, shows that the Company has started in a most promising manner, and bids fair to become one of the most prosperous concerns in the district. The Company took over flour mills at Stockton, Darlington, Middlesbrough, and Bishop Auckland last year. The report and balance-sheet show a profit of £28,599 10s 5d. After paying interest on debenture charges, &c., writing off £3,500 for depreciation, £1,952 for preliminary expenses and other charges, £11,052 4s 9d, including an interim dividend, was absorbed in the payment of 10 per cent. for the year, and a balance was carried forward of £3,554 9s 1d. The report adds that profit for the year is more than the certified average profit shown in the prospectus. The general meeting of the Company is to be held in London on Saturday next.

STOCKTON WORKMEN AND THE ROPNER PARK.—"Another Workmen" writes:—Sir,—It is true that Major Ropner was invited to a banquet as a means by which the town might express its gratitude for the splendid gift, but the tickets were sold at the rate of 7s 6d each, which was equivalent to saying—No workmen need apply, notwithstanding the fact that a tremendous number of men availed themselves of a half-holiday for the occasion, but were left to roam about like wandering Jews, except they chose to go to a football match. One of the principal conditions upon which the park was given was that it be laid out for the benefit of workmen who could not afford to spend time and money in the country or on the Continent. Now, suppose someone were to distribute requisitions at the various works, and the tradesmen of the town at their shops, for signatures of the workmen and customers, calling upon the Mayor to call a meeting for the election of a committee, representing all shades of opinion, politically or otherwise, to gather contributions, as your correspondent suggests, either for a monument or anything else the meeting may decide upon, I have no doubt such a recognition of the gift would give satisfaction on all sides.

LECTURE ON THE ENGLISH PRAYER BOOK.—Last evening, in the Exchange Hall, Stockton, the Rev. R. T. Talbot, of Gateshead, diocesan lecturer, delivered his fifth lecture on "the English Reformation," his subject being "The Book of Common Prayer." At the outset he traced the history of the Prayer Book, dealing first with the two kinds of service which were used by the Jews in the time of Christ—the Temple service and the Synagogue service. He quoted passages from the New Testament to show that there were early traces of a liturgy, and mentioned several liturgical notices in the writings of Pliny, Justin Martyr, and St. Cyril (A.D. 247). After touching upon the liturgy of Ephesus, which passed into the Church of Gaul and thence into the Church of Britain, he proceeded to note the changes in the Roman Liturgy made in the 9th and 10th centuries, and said the aims of the Prayer Book revisers in the 16th century were to turn the Latin forms of devotion into English, to restore the practice of reading the Scriptures in large and continuous portions, to remove what was objectionable, and to simplify the service so that it might help the devotions of the laity. The lecture was illustrated by the exhibition on a large screen of views, portraits, and explanatory texts, shown by Mr J. H. Draper's oxy-hydrogen light.

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN: MEETING AT DARLINGTON.—A drawing-room meeting was held yesterday afternoon at Polam Hall, Darlington, the residence of the Misses Lockwood, in aid of the funds of the Missions to Seamen Society. Mr E. B. Mounsey presided over the large gathering, and addresses were delivered by the Rev. E. Lambert, chaplain of the Port of Sunderland, and the Rev. T. S. Hatfield, the Association secretary.—Mr Lambert gave an interesting sketch of his experiences at Sunderland during the last 7½ years, and of the work of the Sunderland Institute for Seamen. From the humble beginning of temporary quarters in a building that had been the home of Roman Catholic society, a Mormon branch, and a waxwork show in succession, they now had now a building in which the room for service accommodated 300 people, and the lecture-room 600, besides various other smaller ones. Last year over 2,000 meals had been given to sailors without appealing to outsiders. Their temperance work had resulted in obtaining over 6,000 pledges for total abstinence during last year, while their efforts in protecting sailors from the "land-sharks" and in inducing them to attend divine service had been crowned with success. Mr Lambert made an appeal for rendering every assistance to the Mission at Hartlepool, to which place the son of their president was to be appointed as chaplain in April. The Rev. T. S. Hatfield further explained the work and progress of the missions. They had over 53 stations at home and abroad, 44 being in the British Isles; but they desired to extend their missions to other local ports, and to a majority of the 136 foreign ports, through each of which more than 2,000 English sailors passed every year. There were nearly 700,000 British seamen and fishermen, to reach whom they had only 48 institutes, 41 vessels and boats, 26 chaplains, 54 Scripture-readers and layhelpers, and an income of £29,000. Mr Hatfield invited every assistance from Darlington towards the extension of their work.

FOOTBALL.

THIS DAY'S PLAY.

ASSOCIATION.

SUNDERLAND v. NOTTS FOREST.

[ENGLISH CUP.]

To say that this game was not looked upon with some anxiety by the Wearside club's supporters would be false, for there were many who to-day thought that Sunderland would be dismissed from the competition. The majority were, however, disturbed by no such fear, and, knowing as they did that the Sunderland players are almost invincible on their own ground, they felt confident of the ability of their pets to reach the semi-finals if they do not ultimately carry off the cup itself. The Wearside club had knocked out Everton 1—0, and Darwen 2—0, while Forest had pulverised Clapton by 14 goals to nil, and then after playing two drawn games with Sunderland Albion had defeated that club on neutral ground by no fewer than 5 goals to 0, so that in the four matches they had scored 23 goals to 4. The respective records of the clubs up to to-day stood:—Sunderland, 35 games played, 20 won, 7 drawn, 8 lost, goals for 91, against 46. Forest 34 played, 18 won, 11 drawn, 5 lost, 116 goals for, 45 against. Teams:—

Sunderland:	POSITION.	*Notts Forest:*
DOIG	Goal	HOLLAND.
PORTEOUS	Back (right)	EARP.
OLIVER	Back (left)	A. SCOTT.
WILSON	Half-back (right)	MAY.
AULD	Half-back (centre)	RUSSELL.
MURRAY	Half-back (left)	A. SMITH.
J. SMITH	Forward (outside right)	McCALLUM.
MILLER	Forward (inside right)	"TICH" SMITH.
CAMPBELL	Forward (centre)	A. HIGGINS.
HANNAH	Forward (left inside)	T. LINDLEY.
J. SCOTT	Forward (outside left)	SHAW.

Referee, Mr W. H. Jope (Wednesbury).

There were nearly 20,000 spectators. Notts won the toss, and elected to play with the wind. At the last moment Murray was substituted for Gibson. Even play was the rule until twenty minutes from the start, when

MILLER SCORED THE FIRST GOAL FOR SUNDERLAND

amid great enthusiasm. The game proceeded for some time afterwards in a most determined fashion, Sunderland appearing to have a little the best of the play, but at times each team pressed their opponents hard. A. Scott was winded by May whilst these two men were trying to dispossess Smith. Play was suspended for a few moments, but Scott soon recovered, and the game went on as usual. No more score was made before half-time.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY v. WEST BROMWICH ALBION.

[ENGLISH CUP—THIRD ROUND.]

Sheffield Wednesday, after showing wretched form at the opening of the season, have latterly come well to the front, and to-day having choice of ground it was expected that they would be able to account for West Bromwich Albion. In the two previous ties Wednesday had defeated Halliwell 12 0, and then surprised the natives at Derby by beating the County 3 2. West Bromwich got through the first round without playing, owing to the Crusaders scratching, and in the next round of ties they disposed of Birmingham St. George's 3-0. The records of the clubs for this season are not very unlike, as is shown by the following figures:—Sheffield Wednesday: 36 games played, 11 won, 9 drawn, 16 lost, 88 goals for, 105 against. Albion: Games played 37, won 13, drawn 7, lost 17, goals for 70, against 79.

Sheffield Wed.:	POSITION.	*W. Brom. Albion:*
SMITH	Goal	READER
THOMPSON	Back (right)	M'CULLOCH
BRAYSHAW	Back (left)	POWELL
BRANDON	Half-back (right)	BAYLISS
BETTS	Half-back (centre)	PERRY
CAWLEY	Half-back (left)	DYER
WINTERBOTTOM	Forward (outside right)	BASSETT
INGRAM	Forward (inside right)	NICHOLS
BRANDON	Forward (centre)	GROVES
WOOLHOUSE	Forward (inside left)	M'LEOD
MUMFORD	Forward (outside left)	PEARSON

Referee, Mr S. Widdowson.

Before 17,000 spectators, and in favourable weather. West Bromwich won the toss, and took advantage of a slight breeze. During the first twenty minutes play ruled very fast, and each goal was unsuccessfully assailed, the home team being unlucky in not scoring, a hot shot from Mumford hitting the Albion cross-bar. The defence of each side prevailed, preventing any score.

STOCKTON v. IRONOPOLIS.

[CLEVELAND PROFESSIONAL CUP—SEMI-FINAL TIE.]

These somewhat unfriendly teams came together for the fourth time this season on the Victoria ground at Stockton to decide who should have the honour of entering the final tie of the Cleveland Professional Cup. It may be interesting to note that on October 25th, when they met in the qualification round of the English Cup, the 'Nops proved victorious by 2 to 1. Stockton, however, took ample revenge on November 8 by defeating their opponents in the first League encounter to the tune of 4 to 1. Again on December 13 they came together in the return League game, when the Middlesbrough contingent scored another victory of 2 to 1. On the principle of alternate wins and losses alone, it was considered that Stockton would

BRING OFF THE PRESENT MATCH.

But there are stronger grounds than this for the belief. Since they last met Stockton have played 11 matches, of which they have won 10 and lost 1, scoring 43 goals to 16; while Ironopolis have played 12 matches, of which they have only won 7 and lost 5, scoring 30 goals to 22. Some change has also been made in the respective teams. The Stockton contingent is at present much stronger than in December, at the former meeting Grieveson was coupled with Welford in the main defensive line, but Shaw, a much more reliable back, is now in his old place. The forward line has also been strengthened. Roberts is an improvement on Strachan in centre just as much as Strachan is an improvement on Evans as inside left, while doughty Jones on the extreme left wing is more reliable, because swifter, and a much better shot than Deakin. These changes stand to Stockton's credit when the men are in

THE PINK OF CONDITION.

Ironopolis, on the other hand, is not quite such a strong contingent as it was. Millar, who was playing at back, and was the stalwart reliance of the team, has given way to Anderson, who, though a creditable player, has not reached the form of his predecessor. Collins, too, among the half-backs, can scarcely be compared to Hopewell. Cronshaw is missing from the forward line, though his place is pretty well filled by Galbraith. Such as it is, the Ironopolis team may be regarded as a little less formidable than when it came against the Stockton phalanx two months ago. The following were the selected teams:—

Stockton:	POSITION.	*Ironopolis:*
McLACHLAN	Goal	CHALMERS
SHAW	Back (right)	ANDERSON
WELFORD	Back (left)	ELLIOTT
BAILLIE	Half-back (right)	MILLAR
CHATT	Half back (centre)	STEVENSON
ROTHWELL	Half-back (left)	McNAIR
WOOD	Forward (outside right)	SERGEANT
GRAY	Forward (inside right)	GALBRAITH
ROBERTS	Forwards (centre)	McARTHUR
STRACHAN	Forward (inside left)	McREDDIE
JONES	Forward (outside left)	SEYMOUR

Umpires: Mr P. Glover (Darlington) and Mr R. Howcroft (Redcar).

Referee: Mr W. H. Stacey (Sheffield).

Such was the public interest felt in the issue of the game that fully 15,000 persons witnessed it. The day was in every way favourable, and the ground in first-rate condition. Roberts kicked off at 2.45 p.m., and Jones took it up, when it went out behind the sticks. On being set away the Washers took the globe over the line, but Shaw rejected it, and it passed to Millar, by whom it was kicked out of play. The visitors now took it diagonally down the ground, till they claimed a corner, which was not allowed. On being set into play the ball passed up Stockton's right wing, till Gray centred, and Roberts ran up with it. Both the backs tackled him, but he contrived to slip through, and shot in,

SCORING THE FIRST GOAL.

Chalmers being unable to stop its progress though he touched it. From the centre the globe travelled up the Stockton territory, but Welford sent it flying back, and Strachan carried it down until Anderson relieved him, and the leather made its way back to the home territory, where Chatt did a fine run, but was brought to grass. Gray got charge, but was challenged, and McReddie took a long shot, which went wide. Baillie fouled Galbraith, and a free kick ensued, which enabled the Washers to clear their lines, and the globe was carried up, and a corner was obtained off Welford. In centring the leather was nicely placed in front of goal, but Shaw cleared, Sergeant shot in, but it passed just outside the post. In the next few minutes give-and-take play was witnessed, the leather bounding to and fro over the centre line, but mostly in the Stockton territory, till Jones and Strachan dribbled it up their wing and it passed out. Gray shot in but missed. Chalmers returned the ball to centre, but Roberts took it up, and a corner was received off Elliott, but it proved abortive. The home team, however, pressed hard, and Chalmers had to pick up and throw away. Another foul was given to the Washers, and this enabled them to get into the home territory; but the Stockton lads again pressed, and another corner fell to their share, Jones centring behind the posts. The "Nops" got the ball well up, and twice assailed the home citadel, but Welford in the first instance, and McLachlan next, saved the impending disaster. No better fate awaited the attempt of Seymour to score, the leather passing into bye. Hands were given off Miller, and Welford sent close up, but Anderson got it away. After a visit to the centre Roberts took charge, and passed to Jones, who headed into bye. Another free kick for hands enabled the 'Nops to get well up, but Welford rejected. Sergeant shot right across, but Seymour headed out. The home citadel was now in

CONSIDERABLE DANGER.

but from the centre the ball passed on to the left wing, and McArthur shot, but it went wide. Wood now got away, and took the leather up his wing. When he got up Wood shot in from the right, and Roberts headed in. Stevenson rushed it, and handled twice, giving a free kick,

RIGHT IN FRONT OF GOAL.

A scrimmage in the mouth of the goal resulted in the 'Nops getting away, chiefly through the aid of Seymour. Gray was getting nicely away with the ball at his feet, when McArthur tripped him, and a free kick was allowed. Rothwell shot from the centre, and Stevenson caught hold of the ball in front of goal. Another free kick being allowed, the ball was got away, and Chatt returning, shot into bye. The same result met the efforts of the Washers as they attempted to reduce the home citadel. Stockton now got formed, and the leather was brought up to the visitors' fortress, where Chalmers cleared, and hands were given off Stevenson on the left wing. The Washers, however, got the ball out of danger, and Welford taking the chance gave the teams a breather by kicking over the covered stand. On being restarted the leather again went out. Strachan centred to Roberts, who missed his kick, and the leather being cleared by Elliott, Chatt took it and shot over the bar. The leather was now taken into the home territory, where it passed from wing to wing, and eventually into bye. It had just been kicked out by McLachlan when the whistle blew half-time, the score standing at

Stockton	1
Ironopolis	0

Up to this point the minor points of the game were:—Stockton: Corners 2, free-kicks 7, byes, 10; Ironopolis: Corners 3, free-kicks 2, byes 11. On changing ends the home team had the advantage of a slight breeze behind them. McArthur kicked off, but Stockton got away and obtained a corner off McNair. The ball was nicely centred, but Strachan shooting in from the scrimmage Chalmers splendidly saved. After a run up the field the Stockton boys worked back to the visitors' defence, where three of them missed their kicks, in shooting in. The ball was taken up the left wing by Seymour, who, however, kicked out for no apparent reason, and when brought in Sargeant took charge and sent in a high shot, which McLachlan fisted out cleverly. From the centre the leather had an excursion into the visitors' territory, but was brought back, and a corner fell to the share of the 'Nops. Sergeant centred badly. On getting up once more, Chatt sent in a flying shot, which Chalmers threw out. The ball was rushed back, and Strachan attempted to rush through, but failed. Chatt again sent in a long shot which very nearly scored. The Ironopolis citadel was again in danger, but Wood mulled his shot, and Elliott cleared his lines. Shortly after there was some capital play by Gray and Strachan, when Wood shot diagonally, but Jones failed to turn it in, and the leather passed outside the post. The visitors now pressed and made a heavy attack on the home citadel, Galbraith trying a shot, which failed. The next assault was repelled by Shaw, and the leather passed down the Stockton right wing to the other end. Hands was given off Gray, and the 'Nops were able to clear their lines, but Welford directly by a huge kick sent away into the visitors' territory. A foul enabled a free kick to be given to Stockton, and the visitors getting the ball away it was taken up and passed across to Seymour, who sent in a beautiful shot, which McLachlan threw out. The visitors pressed hard for a minute, but failed to score; Shaw again clearing his lines in a splendid style. Result:—

STOCKTON	2
IRONOPOLIS	0

BISHOP AUCKLAND TOWN v. PORT CLARENCE.

[DURHAM CUP.—SECOND ROUND.]

This tie, by order of the Durham Association F.C. Committee, was replayed to-day on the cricket field, Bishop Auckland. It will be remembered that the teams met on Saturday last. The Clarenceites did not reach Auckland until an hour and a half after the advertised time, when the home men where cold and tired out, and the spectators absolutely disgusted at the contretemps. The game was only commenced as a Cup tie under protest, and eventually, with eighteen minutes to play, the referee (Mr H. Gray, of Darlington) stopped the game owing to the darkness, with no goals having been scored on either side. The home club on that occasion had a very weakened team, Bousfield, Fairless, and Brown being absent. Fairless is lame, and was unable to take his place even in the team to-day, whilst Brown, of the forward rank, is still under the ban of the English Association, and could not be played. Although the team was a very weak one it was expected that the homesters would pull through. But the unexpected happened. The visitors not only played up well, but they had a strong defence, and although the Auckland forwards, for the first twenty minutes, swarmed round their goal, the backs and goal-keeper did their work so well that it was next to impossible to get the ball between the sticks. Towards the finish the Haverton Hill men played up strongly, and had hard lines indeed in not scoring. Auckland expected that they would have got the tie, and the Clarence secretary, in the letter which he sent to the secretary of the Durham Association admitted that according *to rule* they were out of it, yet by one of those mysterious manipulations of rules which has characterised the Durham Association where Auckland has been concerned, and which has created so much prejudice, the tie was ordered to be replayed. So far as Auckland was concerned, to-day's team was little stronger than it was last Saturday; Bousfield was in the team, but he got injured in the Rugby match at Durham on Wednesday, and it was not expected that he would be so reliable at back as on former occasions. Teams:—Bishop Auckland: Goal, Strachan; backs, Dunn and Mitchell; half-backs, Goodfellow, G. H. Strachan, and Manners; forwards, Hilton, Race, Gibbon, Pallister, and Lodge. Port Clarence: Goal, Cogan; backs, Piercey and Nicholson; half-backs, Bishop, Brown, and R. Piercey; forwards, Loughran, Lipthorpe, J. Loughran, Whilan, and Blencoe. The game commenced to time, and at first the visitors began to press, but could not score. Then Auckland got the ball on the left wing and forced a corner, which was nicely played by Pallister, and Hilton headed, the ball just striking the cross-bar. Port Clarence got the ball down the field, when Lodge gave hands. Auckland soon forced another corner, which again proved fruitless. Auckland continued to press, and after the ball had been taken from mid-field by Gibbon, who passed to Pallister, who returned, and Gibbon scored the first goal for Auckland after thirty minutes play. The homesters continued to press, and got another corner, which the visitors cleared when dangerous. Soon after Lodge sent in a nice centre, which Gibbon just missed. At half-time the score remained unaltered. Soon after the restart Auckland ran down, and a nice chance was missed. Lodge twice shot over the bar. The visitors made a good attempt to lower the Auckland fortress, then the homesters retaliated, and out of a scrimmage Race scored a second goal for Auckland. Auckland again attacked, and for several minutes the visitors' goal-keeper and the backs had a lively time of it, several corners being conceded. Soon after both Lodge and Pallister missed easy chances of scoring, but shooting wide. The visitors scarcely got over the centre line. Auckland had innumerable chances, and once or twice the Port Clarence goal was only kept intact by sheer good luck. Corner after corner fell to Auckland, which were nearly always mulled. The visitors at length wakened up, and made Strachan save twice smartly. The home lads then changed the venue of the play. Final:—

AUCKLAND	2
PORT CLARENCE	0

DARLINGTON v. ST. AUGUSTINE'S.

[CLEVELAND CUP.—SEMI-FINAL.]

These two Darlington teams met at Feethams. This was the first engagement of either club in the competition, the Saints having obtained a bye in the first round, and Darlington being similarly favoured through the disqualification of Marske. There has been nothing like the interest evinced in the meeting of these local teams as in preceding years, when the greatest rivalry existed as to which team was the better qualified to represent the Skerneside borough. The Saints have not maintained the position in which they stood at the close of last season; while Darlington, on the other hand, have somewhat improved, and twice this season, in Northern League fixtures, scored 4 to 1 and 3 to 0 respectively against their local rivals. Three months have elapsed since the last encounter; and although Darlington may have appeared stationary in merit, and the Saints may have slightly improved their record, the spectators had little doubt of the result, yet expectant of some sturdy fighting.

Darlington:	POSITION.	*St. Augustine's:*
AULD	Goal	KAY.
McKENNA	Back (right)	COLEMAN.
BIRD	Back (left)	HANNAN.
McDONALD	Half-back (right)	MOSES.
T. WAITES	Half-back (centre)	J. NOLLI.
CAMBELL	Half-back (left)	STEAD.
M. CRIMMOND	Forward (outside right)	McCLUSKY.
McNICHOL	Forward (inside right)	McNALLY.
HUTCHINSON	Forward (centre)	HENDERSON.
CLEGHORN	Forward (inside left)	REID.
DALEY	Forward (outside left)	SHIELDS.

Referee, Mr Fox (Sheffield); umpires, Mr Peel (Middlesbrough) and Mr Kelleher (South Bank).

Darlington kicked off in the presence of about 2,500 people, but the Saints immediately took possession, and working down rapidly on the right called upon Auld to fist out. McDonald relieved temporarily, until McCrimmond centred, and the ball was transferred into close proximity to the Saints' goal. Hannen relieved, but Bird returned, and Darlington forced the first bye on the left. The attack became somewhat hot until Daley shot cleverly from the left corner, the ball dropping just on the centre of the cross-bar, and passing into bye. McNichol, on the right, also contributed to the danger, shooting well across the goal, but Daley failed to receive. The Saints then passed down the field, but Bird was equal to the occasion, and Daley brought back to the Saints' quarters. Coleman relieved the pressure for a while, but eventually Dally shot across the goal mouth, and the ball striking Nolli, glanced through. From the kick off, the Saints obtained possession, and after shooting bye again called upon Auld to defend an easy shot. A corner, though well taken, proved of no avail, and Darlington were once more the aggressors but McNichol was twice dispossessed by Stead, and another incursion of the Saints followed. After a little end to end play McDonald passed on to Hutchinson, who, passing on to Daley, that player shot, but Kay repulsed. Nolli succeeded with a good display in changing the venue, but a foul spoiled the chance. Reid then sent in a splendid long shot, to negotiate which Auld had to concede a corner. Nothing resulted from it, but Shields sent in another shot, which McNally carried through; but the ball having been out of play the goal was not allowed. Darlington made several attempts to break away, but Coleman and Hannen, who were both playing a sure game as full-backs, defeated their efforts for some time, until Finally McCrimmond and McNicol brought the ball up on the right, and two byes were forced in quick succession. A free kick off McDonald enabled the Saints to get closer in, but the defence of the Darlington quarters was too vigorous for the attack to prove of any avail, although Bird and McKenna were required to kick away several dangerous shots. A foul off McDonald was followed by another in favour of the homesters, but the ball was put behind, after which the Saints secured the balance of the play for a few minutes, but without proving dangerous. A corner fell then to Darlington, after McClusky had missed a good chance of scoring from a pass by McNichol, but Kay fisted out. Another foul of Shields by McDonald close to the Darlington goal availed the Saints nothing, but on Auld fisting out a subsequent shot Bird impeded the ball, and Shields sent in a lightning shot that narrowly escaped equalising the score, the ball just striking the crossbar. A little end-to-end play followed, but nothing of a dangerous character, and half-time was called with the score:—

Darlington	1
St. Augustine's	0

Restarting, the Saints took the ball close in, but Bird returned, and the game was transferred to the Saints' territory, but with the bare result of a bye. After a little centre play, Daley succeeded in working down on the left, and Cleghorn compelled Kay to handle. Another hot shot from McCrimmond was cleverly repulsed, and the Saints then seemed as coming near scoring. McKenna kicked out just in time, but a corner following, the advantage was maintained a little longer. The ball, however, passed into bye, and Darlington again were the attacking party. Final:—

DARLINGTON	3
ST. AUGUSTINE'S	1

MIDDLESBROUGH v. NEWCASTLE EAST END.

[BENEFIT MATCH.]

Played for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the men who lost their lives through the running down of the s.s. Bear, of Middlesbrough. The clubs had met twice previously this season, Middlesbrough sustaining their severest defeat so far, the East Enders scoring at Newcastle 4 goals to the Teesside club's 1. On the return fixture being decided Middlesbrough secured a splendid victory by no fewer than 6 goals to nil. To-day's match was thus the third. Owing to East End having another match on against Shankhouse in the semi-final for the Northumberland Cup, the team that visited Middlesbrough included McCabe in goal in place of Scott, Watson at back in place of Miller, and Blackett at half-back in place of Creilly. The forwards were the regular lot. Dennis played for Middlesbrough in place of Watson, who had not returned from Scotland.

THE TEAMS.

Middlesbrough:	POSITION.	*East End:*
MACKAY	Goal	McCABE.
CRONE	Back (right)	WATSON.
BELL	Back (left)	WILSON.
WALLER	Half-back (right)	BLACKETT.
STEVENSON	Half-back (centre)	McCURLIE.
BACH	Half-back (left)	McKAIN.
WILSON	Forward (outside right)	McINNES.
LENDESS	Forward (inside right.)	COLLINS.
MULLEN	Forward (centre)	THOMPSON.
ALLAN	Forward (inside left)	WALLACE.
DENNIS	Forward (outside left)	McSORLEY.

Referee, Mr P. Huntington. There were 3,000 spectators. The home side kicked off towards the plantation end, and some smart play ensued in front of the East End goal, and after two byes Allan crossed and Wilson shot in, but McCabe threw away, and Lendess returned wide of the goal. Not to be denied the home lads kept up the pressure. Dennis put in a nice centre, but Wilson, the visitors' half-back, cleared, only for Bach to punt back, and Wilson put the leather through amid applause. On resuming from the centre the visitors attacked strongly, but found the Middlesbrough defenders in excellent trim, the backs and half-backs tackling and kicking so cleverly as to keep the ball from getting dangerously near the home goal. At last from a free kick for hands the ball was got through, but as no one had touched it in transit no score accrued to the visitors. Play continued in the home territory for some minutes longer, when Bach put to Allan, who crossed to Dennis, and the pair running up McCabe had to save his charge, but the ball coming over to Wilson that player put it in centre grandly, and Allan receiving, shot a splendid goal. End to end play followed, the Middlesbrough forwards on one occasion missing a good chance of increasing their score by being too eager. Play was now wholly in the home team's favour, but at last the visitors got down and Collins had hard lines in not scoring, Mackay fisting the ball away from just underneath the crossbar when a goal seemed a certainty. Give-and-take play of an even character followed, the visitors striving strenuously to score, but the home team, taking matters somewhat easy, kept their opponents at bay, and had quite as much of the game as the Heaton lads, half-time arriving with the score:—

Middlesbrough	2
East End	0

Result:—

MIDDLESBROUGH	4
EAST END	0

RUGBY.

SOUTH SHIELDS v. HARTLEPOOL WEST END.

[DURHAM JUNIOR CUP.—FINAL.]

At Sunderland this afternoon in glorious weather the final tie between South Shields and Hartlepool West End came off. The match was rather late in starting. Hartlepool won the toss, and Spence kicked off. The Hartlepool men immediately attacked, and for five minutes kept their ground, but were unable to cross the line. The Shields men, however, after desperately hard play, succeeded in expelling their opponents, Taylor and Coulson, however, playing grandly. Even, and hard-fought play occurred after this, and then Trinity scored a minor. Pressing, they managed to keep in the Hartlepool half for several minutes longer, when the latter, by grand work amongst the forwards changed the venue. After a short spell of even play, Hartlepool pressed, necessitating their opponents acting on the defensive until the end of the half, which ended with the game in the Shields ground, the score being 1 minor each. Upon change of ends even play in mid-field, characterised by numerous lines and packs, was witnessed. During the first ten minutes breaks-away began to be indulged in by both teams, after which Shields, by desperate efforts, gained ground in their opponents' territory. Here, from near the centre, Taylor (three-quarter) made a grand run and crossed the line scoring the first try. Spence took the kick, but the shot went beyond the goal-posts. After Taylor had notched the try for Shields, the Hartlepool team wakened up considerably, and for the next fifteen minutes did all the pressing. They scored a minor, and then were given a free kick near the dividing line. McDoughall took the kick, but made a bad shot. After this Hartlepool played up well, and Jones scoring a try this was converted by Hopper. Final:—

HARTLEPOOL	1 goal 3 minors
SHIELDS	1 try 1 minor

YORKSHIRE v. CHESHIRE.

Teams representing these counties met at Fartown this afternoon, in the presence of quite 10,000 people. Cheshire played a smart game, their passing being very fine. They quickly obtained the lead by goals dropped by Haslam and Houghton. A clever try was scored by Nichol for Yorkshire. Half-time score—Cheshire, 2 goals 2 minors; Yorkshire, 1 try 1 minor.

This Day's Commercial News.

Bank rate (discount)		3 p.c.
Market rate of disct., 50 days' drafts		2⅝ to $2\frac{11}{16}$ p.c.
Do. do.	3 months	2⅝ to $2\frac{11}{16}$ p.c.
Do. do.	4 months	2⅝ to $2\frac{11}{16}$ p.c.
Do. do.	6 months	2⅝ p.c.
Loans to bill-brokers, day to day		2 p.c.
Rate for fortnight, loans to stock-brokers		2¼ to 2½ p.c.
Deposit allowance (banks)		1½ p.c.
Do. do. (discount houses)		1½ to 1¾ p.c.

NEWCASTLE FREIGHT.

Freight market weaker outwards, but steady from America, and firmer from India. Charters include steamers:—Tyne to Bilbao, 4/5 coals; Odessa, 6/5; London, 3/6; Civita Vecchia, 7/3; Genoa, 6/9; Baltimore to Belfast, 14/-; Salonica to Antwerp, 11/-. Over ninety vessels are now laid up in the River Tyne. Coal firm for steam at 11/6, weaker for gas and household qualities. Chemicals in rather better demand. Copper firmer.

MIDDLESBROUGH IMPORTS & EXPORTS.

IMPORTS.—FEBRUARY 13.

Cobden, London, general.
Wilton, Bilbao, 2,143 tons iron ore.
Skyro, Bilbao, 1,340 tons iron ore.

FEBRUARY 14.

Victor, Plymouth, 210 tons purple ore.
Jason, San Francisco, 43,650 cwts. wheat.
Cædmon, Bilbao, 1,478 tons iron ore.

EXPORTS.—FEBRUARY 13.

Harriet, Portishead, 600 tons pig iron.
Hawthorne, Grangemouth, 1,500 tons pig iron.
Bull, Grangemouth, 650 tons pig iron.
Palund, Grangemouth, 770 tons pig iron.
Mutual, Tyne, 300 tons pig iron.
Charlotte, Tyne, 225 tons pig iron.
Camel, Southampton, 200 tons wrought [illegible] building plates.
Florence, Lowestoft, 200 tons steel cros[illegible]
Juan, Tyne, 222 tons salt.
Catherine, Dundee, 180 tons salt.
Jessie, Arbroath, 90 tons salt.
Grangemouth, Rotterdam, 575 tons p[illegible]

FEBRUARY 14.

Glasgow, Grangemouth, 580 tons pi[illegible]
Patience, Grangemouth, 1,550 tons [illegible]
Jason, Birkenhead, 970 tons steel r[illegible]
Cobden, London, 57 cases whisky, [illegible] manufactured iron, 140 tons steel rails, [illegible] bricks, 10 tons pig iron, 10 tons naphtha, [illegible] acid, and sundry other goods.
Pebble, Grangemouth, 500 tons [illegible]
Merida, Algoa Bay, 550 tons ca[illegible] railway sleepers, 16 tons iron roofing.
Pala, Buenos Ayres, 3,000 tor[illegible] iron.

MIDDLESBROUGH [illegible] SHIPMENTS.

Date.	Pig Iron.	M'f'd I. & S.	Total Tons	Date.	Pig Iron.	M'f'd I. & S.	Total Tons.
Jan.	43,998	23,771	67,769	Feb. 7	4,030	1,840	5,870
				„ 9	1,740	140	1,880
Feb. 2	4,360	—	4,360	„ 10	4,795	699	5,494
„ 3	5,265	186	5,451	„ 11	2,515	970	3,485
„ 4	1,090	3,015	4,105	„ 12	1,090	750	1,845
„ 5	2,270	2,107	4,377	„ 13	4,630	400	5,030
„ 6	4,033	1,139	5,172	„ 14	1,970	5,416	7,386

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE.

Sugar steady; No. 1 crystals, 13/9; No. 2, 17/9; No. 3, 17/6. Lard quiet, 30/-. Bacon quiet, 26/6. Petroleum quiet; American, 5⅛d. Turpentine slow, 29/6. Resin very firm, common 4/7½. Cottonseed quieter, 20/-. Linseed steady, 23/3. Rape easy, 22/9. Tallow steady; Norths, 25/6; Souths, 28/3 beef. Palm quiet; Lagos £24 10/-. Hemp steady; Manilla 43/- spot. Nitrate firm, 8/-. Castor oil steady; Calcutta 3¼d.

This Day's Markets.

DONCASTER CORN.—English wheat firm, though very little business was done. No change in foreign. Barley met with a slow sale; prices same as last week. Spring corn trade good. Peas most in request. Maize the turn dearer.

NEWCASTLE CORN.—English wheat in good supply and sells slowly at 6d per qr. decline; foreign descriptions meet with limited enquiry at late rates. Barley 6d down on the week. Maize firm at full prices. Oats, beans, and peas quiet. Flour inactive.

CARLISLE CORN.—The supply of oats to-day was small. Good attendance of buyers and sharp market at 3d to 6d per three Imperial bushels advance. Wheat no change.

GLASGOW SUGAR.—Good demand at yesterday's prices. Official report:—"Market closes firm, large business done for the week. Prices are occasionally 3d dearer."

CORK BUTTER.—Ordinary: Firsts, 124/-; Seconds, 107/-; thirds, 101/-; fourths, 93/-. Kegs: Thirds, 100/-. Mild-cured firkins: Mild, 112/-. Number in market:—51 firkins, 4 kegs, 23 mild.

WHITBY PROVISIONS.—Fresh butter, 1/3 to 1/4 per lb.; fresh eggs, 10 for 1/-; chickens, 4/- to 5/6 per couple; ducks, 3/6 to 4/-; geese, 6/6 to 8/-; turkeys, 9/ to 10/6 each; pigeons, 1/2 to 1/3 per couple; pheasants, 6/- to 6/6; partridges, 3/6 per brace; hares, 3/9 to 4/-; leverets 3/- each; Yorkshire bacon, 7d to 8d per lb.; Yorkshire hams, 8d to 9d per lb.; Yorkshire prime old, 9d per lb.; beef, 7d to 8d per lb.; beef steaks, 8d to 9d per lb.; mutton, 7d to 8d per lb.; pork, 7d to 8d per lb.

GRIMSBY FISH.—A good supply of fish has been brought by about forty vessels, and the demand is fair. Plaice, 20/- to 24/-; level, 17/-; lemons, 30/- to 40/-; soles, 130/- to 155/-; haddocks, 8/- to 14/- per box; turbot, 8/- to 20/-; brills, 3/- to 5/-; ling, 4/- to 5/-; dead, 3/- to 4/-; cod, 4/- to 6/-; skate, 3/- to 7/-; dead, 2/- to 3/- each; hake, 40/- to 60/-; dead cod, 60/- to 80/- per score; halibut, 6/- to 8/-; coal, 5/- to 6/- per stone; lobsters, 1/9 per lb.

A DRUNKEN CREW AND A BURNING VESSEL.

About five o'clock yesterday morning a fire was discovered on board the steamer Calliope, now lying in the Old Dock, Newport. Some delay occurred in obtaining the services of the Fire Brigade, and the vessel was much damaged. Two of the crew were found dead in the forecastle, having apparently been suffocated. The watchman states that up to two o'clock yesterday morning the crew were drunk and quarrelling.

THE SUNDERLAND LIBEL CASE.

A VERDICT FOR ONE FARTHING UPHELD.

In the Queen's Bench Division to-day Mr Justice Lawrance gave judgment in the appeal in the case of Mr J. H. Wilson, General Secretary of the Amalgamated Sailors' and Firemen's Union, against the proprietors of the *Sunderland Post* for publishing a letter containing statements which Mr Wilson considered libellous. The jury at Leeds awarded one farthing damages, and Mr Justice Lawrance now confirmed the verdict without costs.

LADY BROOKE'S JEWELLERY STOLEN.

At Norton Priory, on Thursday evening, thieves entered the dressing-room of Lady Brooke while the family were at dinner, and stole a case containing jewellery. Having possessed themselves of several articles they decamped, leaving the case, as they thought, empty. They were not aware it had a false bottom, and they thus overlooked jewellery of the value of £200. They took, however, with them the keys of a Chubb's safe, in which diamonds were kept, and it has not yet been ascertained whether those valuables are intact.

THE SEAMEN'S AGITATION.

The strike this morning shows signs of collapsing. A number of the tippers have signed on, and resumed work.

ULTIMATUM OF THE FEDERATION.

Messrs Tom Mann, Clem. Edwards, and other trade union leaders conferred in London yesterday with the council of the Shipping Federation. After a long discussion, the council gave the Federated Unions until Monday to "disown and repudiate" the action of Mr Wilson, general secretary of the Amalgamated Seamen's and Firemen's Union. The strike of labourers which took place on Thursday at the North Docks, Liverpool, and the Bootle Docks, collapsed yesterday, the men having decided to give up wearing the union badge while at work.

THE LOCAL LUNACY CASE.

The enquiry into the alleged lunacy of Francis Henry Paget, gentleman, formerly living at Birstall, Leicestershire, petitioner being his daughter, Mrs Ada Mary Walker, of Thirsk, Yorks, was continued yesterday at the Royal Courts of Justice, London, before Sir Alexander Miller.—Mrs Walker was recalled for cross-examination. She said that Dr. Marriott, a well-known medical man of Leicester, on whom she called, refused to certify her father insane. She did not know whether Dr. Marriott said the present proceedings were not justified. She was on the best of terms with her father, who was a country gentleman, fond of sport, an excellent shot, a very big smoker, and a great favourite. Her mother died on the Continent, and the witness and her father attended the funeral. Mr Walker was her second husband, her first husband being Mr Webster, by whom she had one child.—The case was again adjourned.

DEATH OF AN AMERICAN ADMIRAL.—The death is announced of Admiral David Dickson Porter, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Navy. The deceased admiral was born in 18[illegible]

HEALTH, STRENGTH, FRESHNESS OF COMPLEXION, and Clearness of Vision all result from the use of BRANDRETH'S PILLS. They purify the blood, cleanse the liver, and invigorate the whole system. There is no remedy of to-day that can approach them for true excellence of quality. Ask for BRANDRETH'S SUGAR-COATED PILLS; forty in each box, price 1/-. Local Agents: A. S. Holmes and Co., Northern Counties Supply Stores, Stockton-on-Tees; Walter Willson, Linthorpe-road and Wilson-street, Middlesbrough; T. Close, Drug Stores, Corporation-road, Middlesbrough.—ADVT.

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This Day's Sporting.

LONDON (CITY) BETTING.

WATERLOO CUP. 3 p.m.

4 to 1 agst Colonel North's nom, t w
10 to 1 agst Mr Davey's nom.
33 to 1 agst Mr W. H. Smith's nom.

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.

[Run Wednesday, March 18. Distance, one mile.]

st	lb	age	Horse	Trainer
9	0	6	12 to 1 agst Wiseman, t o	J. Dawson
6	13	4	16 to 1 agst Detective	Sadler
7	5	4	25 to 1 agst The Whaup	M. Dawson

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.

[Run Friday, March 20. Distance, about four miles and 856 yards).

11	3	5	16 to 1 agst Choufleur	Linde
10	11	a	33 to 1 agst Phil	Collins

THE DERBY.

10 to 1 agst Orvieto .... Ryan

BOAT RACE.

11 to 8 on Oxford, o

MANCHESTER BETTING.

WATERLOO CUP. 3 p.m.

7 to 2 agst Colonel North's nom.
10 to 1 agst Mr Davey's nom.
18 to 1 agst Mr Jewell's nom.
20 to 1 agst Mr Jardine's nom.
20 to 1 agst Mr Pilkington's nom.
22 to 1 agst Mr Jones's nom.
25 to 1 agst Mr Russell's nom.
25 to 1 agst Mr Crosse's nom.
40 to 1 agst Mr Miller's nom.

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.

7	11	4	100 to 8 agst War Dance, t w	In France
9	0	6	100 to 8 agst Wiseman, o	J. Dawson
7	9	4	100 to 6 agst Oddfellow	Marsh
7	5	4	100 to 6 agst Carrick	Ryan
6	13	4	20 to 1 agst Detective	Sadler
7	6	4	22 to 1 agst Hebrides	Taylor
6	12	4	22 to 1 agst Red Eagle	Weever
7	7	5	25 to 1 agst Screech Owl	Wadlow
8	0	5	25 to 1 agst Nunthorpe, t	Sherwood
7	5	4	33 to 1 agst The Whaup, t	M. Dawson

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.

11	12	a	8 to 1 agst Come Away, t w	Beasley
11	3	6	10 to 1 agst Emperor, t	Nightingall
12	0	a	100 to 6 agst Roman Oak, o (20 to 1 w)	McAuliffe
11	3	5	20 to 1 agst Choufleur, t w	Linde

PLUMPTON MEETING.

SOUTHOVER SELLING HUNTER'S FLAT RACE of 75 sovs. Two miles.

RAJAH, aged, 12st 7lb	Mr W. Woodlands	1
URCHIN, aged, 12st	Mr C. Thompson	2
PETIT DUC, aged, 12st 7lb	Mr Beevor	3
Durango, aged, 12st 7lb	Mr J. C. Dormer	0
Spanish Main, aged, 12st	Capt. E. R. Owen	0

Betting: Evens Rajah, 5 to 2 agst Urchin, 4 to 1 Spanish Main, 6 to 1 Durango, 33 to 1 Petit Duc. Won by a head; bad third. Durango was fourth.

ROTTINGDEAN HUNTERS' HURDLE RACE of 50 sovs. About two miles and a quarter, over nine hurdles.

ETON, aged, 12st	A. Nightingall	1
ORDEAL, 4yrs, 11st	Mr J. C. Dormer	2
HOLLY BLUE, 4yrs, 10st 7lb	R. Woodland	3

Betting: Evens Ordeal, 11 to 10 agst Eton, and 100 to 7 Holly Blue. Won by a length and a-half; bad third.

ST. VALENTINE'S SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 75 sovs. Two miles over eight hurdles.

HERRING BONE, 4yrs, 11st 4lb	Mr C. Thompson	1
LADY GEORGE, 5yrs, 11st 13st	Nightingall	2
COALHEAVER, 4yrs, 11st 2lb	Hall	3
Woodman, aged, 11st 10lb	Sherlock	0
Voltaire, aged, 11st 7lb	T. Brooker	0
Codicil, 4yrs, 11st	R. Woodland	0

Betting: Evens Lady George, 3 to 1 agst Coalheaver, 4 to 1 Herring Bone, 7 to 1 Codical, and 100 to 8 others. Won by four lengths; six lengths separated second and third.

ASHURST MAIDEN HUNTERS' HURDLE RACE of 40 sovs. Two miles over eight hurdles.

CLAUDE DUVAL, 4yrs, 10st 5lb	A. Nightingall	1
SANDOWN, 4yrs, 10st 12lb	Page	2
KIRBY, aged, 11st 3lb	Captain Paynter	3
Mermaid, 6yrs, 11st 3lb	T. Read	0
Monastery, 4yrs, 10st 5lb	Trickle	0
West Star, 4yrs, 10st 5lb (car. 10st 7lb)	A. Mackie	0

Betting: Evens agst Sandown, 6 to 4 Claude Duval, 10 to 1 West Star, 20 to 1 others.

EASTBOURNE HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE of 40 sovs. Two miles, Old Round Course.

DECOY	1
WAR DANCE	2

Four ran.

HURSTPIERPOINT HUNTERS' FLAT RACE of 50 sovs. About two miles and a quarter.

Lady Villikens	1
Oscar	2
Beauty Fair	3

This concluded the day's racing.

LATEST ARRIVALS.—Bloodstone, Ordeal, Mermaid, Beauty Fair, Oscar, Sandown, Kedar, Gauntlet, and Lady Villikins.

TO-DAY'S STARTING PRICES

PLUMPTON MEETING.

Race.	Horse.	Price.
SOUTHOVER HUNTERS' FLAT	Rajah	Evens.
ROTTINGDEAN HURDLE	Eton	11 to 10
ST. VALENTINE HURDLE	Herringbone	4 to 1

NEWMARKET TRAINING NOTES.

Cold morning. ON THE RACECOURSE SIDE: MARSH'S Royal Meath went four miles. CANNON'S Greywell and Lady Sarah went two miles. MARSH'S Cereza, Curfew, Morion, and Ammonite: MORTON'S Tostig, Pioneer, and Lady Rosebery; GRAY'S Janissary, Grand Prior, Gavotte, and Valarius; HOPPER'S L'Abbe Morin and Royal Grace went a mile and a quarter. MARSH'S Oddfellow and Unicorn; SADLER'S Peterflower and Detective went a mile. GRAY'S Goodlake and Rousseau; MORTON'S Eyrefield and Juggler went six furlongs.

ON THE BURY SIDE: RYAN'S Ireland and Passe Par Tout; ARNULL'S Greenfield went three miles. RYAN'S Lover's Leap and Regalis went two miles and a half. RYAN'S Old Malt, Innisfail, Carrick, Evergreen, Springtime, Orvieto, Alloway, Patrician, and Springbank; LEADER'S Trundle Hill, Belesys, and St. Cyr; ENOCH'S Fontainbleau, Hermon, Houndsditch, Pinzon, Patrick Blue, and Workington; G. DAWSON'S Anthony and Morillon went a mile and half. SHERWOOD'S Old Coin, Iddesleigh, and Nunthorpe; ASHBY'S Rusticus went a mile and a quarter. JEWITT'S Deemster, Barbatello, and Rathbeal; J. DAWSON'S Wiseman and Roberto; HAYHOE'S Flibustier, High Havens, Bumptious, Le Nord, and Haute Saone; JENNING'S Lord George, Star, Lord Henry, and Lusignan; SHERWOOD'S Sheldrake, Fitzsimon, Arturo, and Penzance; JENNING'S Reverend, Gouverneur, and Cordon Bleu went a mile.

SOUTH STOCKTON CRICKET CLUB.

The annual meeting was held last night at Tranter's Temperance Bar, Mr I. R. Tranter presiding.—Mr T. Nevison (financial secretary), in the absence of a report from the general secretary, Mr W. Anderson, who has long been ill, stated that the income for last season slightly exceeded the expenditure, and the debt on the new ground was reduced from £74 to £52. The gate money was not quite so good as in the previous year, but the season tickets brought up the total. Luck seemed against the club in the matches. Most of the eight draws were much in their favour. The first matches played numbered 23; won, 4; drawn, 8; lost, 11. W. F. Whitwell, who played only two innings, heads the batting average with 33·5; J. F. Whitwell is second (one innings only) with 26. F. Jordan will take the batting prize, with 13·26 in 22 innings, and an aggregate of 254 runs—the highest. The other averages are:—T. Robinson (19 innings), 11·36; F. H. Welch (2), 13·5; T. Hall (21), 10·7; J. Nicholls (21), 8·71; H. Bower (5), 8; J. McClarence (10), 7·87; J. R. Muter (5), 7·25; W. Heavisides (2), 7·5; J. Hugill (11), 7; J. Jordan (19), 6·38; S. Howe (4), 5; G. Mainwaring (16), 4·62; F. Maguire (6), 4·6; T. McCairnes (11), 3·27. Bowling averages:—G. Mainwaring (who will take the prize) 92 overs, 7·77; T. Hall, 252 overs, 9·73; J. Hugill, 148 overs, 10·4; J. Nicholls, 182 overs, 10·43; T. McCairnes, 40 overs, 11·66; T. Robinson, 43 overs, 12. Second team:—Matches played, 18; won, 6; drawn, 1; lost, 11. Best batting averages—S. Tanfield, 15·5; T. McCairnes, 14·3; W. Stephenson, 7·71; the latter being entitled to the prize, the others not having played the requisite number of innings. Best bowling:—T. McCairnes 3·68; J. Thompson, 4·96, the latter winning the prize.—A good list of fixtures for next season was presented, including Stockton, Norton, Middlesbrough, West Hartlepool, &c.—The Club is entered for the Cleveland Cup.—The annual dinner was fixed for March 9 at the Harewood Arms.—A groundsman was appointed for next season.—Officers were elected thus:—President, Mr W. Whitwell, J.P.; additional vice-presidents, Councillor Langley, Mr Fawcett, and Mr E. Fletcher; captain, F. Jordan; vice-captain, T. Robinson; second team ditto, S. Elliott and J. Hughes; treasurer, T. J. Parvin; financial secretary, T. Nevison; general secretary, W. Anderson; and a committee of nine.

THE LATE DUKE OF BEDFORD.

CREMATING HIS PERSONAL EFFECTS.

Extraordinary rumours having been circulated in the county of Bedford as to a holocaust of the late Duke of Bedford's personal effects, enquiries were made at Woburn on Thursday, and the statements were to a limited extent confirmed. A week ago two loads of faggots were deposited in a retired spot near the Chinese Dairy at the rear of Woburn Abbey. Several boxes and packages were brought out of the Abbey and cast on the pile, which was fired. The boxes did not burn, and it was found necessary to turn out the contents, which, to the amazement of bystanders who were not in the secret, appeared to be rich wearing apparel, including suits of clothes, shirts, socks, boots, shoes, and slippers. Some of these articles were quite new, and some of the slippers were richly embroidered. It is said that several walking-sticks and umbrellas were also burnt, among the former being one that a foreign potentate presented to the late Duke. One account says that Lord Herbrand Russell, who watched the fire, snatched this valuable relic from the flames. No personal article has escaped, and even his carriages are to be burned.

THE ARREST OF MESSRS DILLON AND O'BRIEN.

Messrs Dillon and O'Brien arrived by mail steamer at Kingstown last evening. A considerable number of their friends were assembled on the pier. The general public were excluded. The two hon. gentlemen on landing were warmly greeted, and as they passed from the pier to the carriage which was in waiting cheers were raised by the spectators. Messrs Dillon and O'Brien were driven to Dublin, the carriage being followed by a car containing four plain clothes constables. Kingsbridge railway terminus was reached by the South Circular-road, the city being thus avoided, and the carriage drove up to the entrance of the station just as the six o'clock ordinary train was leaving. The hon. gentlemen were conducted to a room adjoining the refreshment bar, where dinner was provided for them. A few friends, including Alderman Hooper, were allowed to see them, but the general public were excluded from the precincts of the station. At 6.20 Messrs Dillon and O'Brien were conducted to a special train, and accommodated in a first-class compartment. They were accompanied by three officers in plain clothes, while a number of other members of the constabulary travelled in adjoining compartments. The train left almost immediately afterwards. Some cheers were raised, but there was no very marked demonstration, the number of spectators being comparatively small. It was arranged that the special should proceed to Clonmel *via* Thurles, instead of going by Limerick Junction, the journey being thus materially shortened. Only the prisoners and their escort were allowed to travel by the special train.

TOOTHACHE.—Bunter's Nervine cures Toothache instantly by painless constriction of the nerve prevents decay, and saves extraction. Neuralgic headaches and all nerve pains removed. Sleepless nights prevented by using Bunter's Nervine. Sold by all Chemists, 1s1½d.—ADVT.

Shipping, &c.

SHIPPING CASUALTIES.

(*Lloyd's Telegrams.*)

The steamer Helios, of Hull, Cardiff for [illegible], coals, is ashore near Adra; total wreck.

The mail steamer Monoway, for Australia, put back to San Francisco, with thrust shaft broken, will repair immediately.

A Hamburg telegram to-day states:—Frost; intercourse in harbour very difficult.

The Italian vessel Vincenzo Accame, from [illegible] with a cargo of bones, whilst being towed up the [illegible], grounded and remains; if not berthed to-night [illegible] remain till next spring tides.

The British brigantine Buster returned to Gibraltar leaking.

THE LOSS OF THE MILO, OF HARTLEPOOL.

Messrs Clark and Co., Hartlepool, the owners of the Milo, have received a telegram confirming the report of the safe landing on the French coast of the missing hands of the steamer Milo, which sank on Thursday night near Ushant.

ARRIVALS AND SAILINGS.

MIDDLESBROUGH.

ARRIVALS, February 12.—Brunswick s, [illegible], London: Ludgate s, —, Sunderland; [illegible] b, [illegible] s, Tyson, Bilbao, ore; Wilton s, Pearson, Bilbao, —; Florence s, Ecclesfield, Wisbeach, wheat; Cobden s, Batram, London, g; Valund s, Hansen, Hamburg, b; (13) Ouse Hopper No. 2 s, Ward, Goole b; Cairngorm s, Baker, Bilbao, ore; Juan, Isaacs, Tyne, b; Vesta, Gray, Plymouth, purple ore; Cyrus, Jary, Newcastle, l; Magic, —, Perth, timber; Cædmon s, Baxter, Bilbao, ore; Grangemouth s, Swan, Grangemouth, part; Brunswick s, Verril, Newhaven, b; Try Again, Boll, Aberdeen timber; Glasgow s, Stone, Caen, b; Fawn, Conradsen, Faroe, b; Pebble s, Darragh, Gravelines, b; Jason, McGarr, San Francisco, wheat; (14) Ouse Hopper No. 1, Walker, Goole, light; Resolute s, Henderson, Tyne, wheat; Lady Mostyn s, Richards, Dieppe, b; [illegible], Holmes, Alderney, scrap iron.

SAILINGS, February 12.—Santorin s, Pick, Tyne b; Corisande s, Fisker, Grangemouth, i; Talisman s, Raisin, Amsterdam, g; Alex Pirie, Wright, Aberdeen; Elzina s, De Werdt, Antwerp; Newhaven s, [illegible], Grangemouth; G.M.B. s, Smith, Grangemouth, i; (13) Kyles s, Austin, Leith, salt; Brilliant, Ambler, London, c; Ocean Queen, Brand, Plymouth, c; [illegible] s, Longstaff, —, i; Ulrica, Carter, Tyne, l; Regalia, Parker, Tyne, salt; Camel s, Davison, Southampton, [illegible]; Emerald s, McKeegan, Sharpness, iron; [illegible] s, Cartwright, Newcastle, salt; Ouse No. 2 s, [illegible], Goole, slag; Ouse No. 4 s, Cochin, Goole, slag; Harriet s, Guthrie, Portishead, iron; Hawthorn s, Scott, Grangemouth, iron; (4) Zealous, Pigott, Tyne, salt.

HARTLEPOOL.

ARRIVALS, February 13.—Lizzie, Parsons, from sea, w.b.; Celerity, Moore, Lowestoft, gravel; Karen, Nielsen, West Hartlepool, light; Sensation s, Shaw, Dover, chalk; William, Grubb, Yarmouth, b; Glenturn, Clark, Folkestone, chalk; Stepney s, Lowery, London, light; (14) Glinda, Howard, Yarmouth, b; Sultan, White, Portsmouth, chalk; Zealous s, Thomas, Middlesbrough, light; Ellington s, Gloak, Portsmouth, light.

SAILINGS, February 13.—Lizzie, Parsons, Weymouth, c; Anjer Head, McLean, West Hartlepool, light; Lord Alfred Paget s, Whitehead, London, c; (14) Franz von Mathies, Permien, Portsmouth c; [illegible], Gambrill, Dover, c; Sarah, Baker, Littlehampton, c.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.

ARRIVALS, February 13.—Cairnrankie, Wight, Portsoy, oats; Contender, Fisher, Lowestoft, b; N.E.V.A., Jenner, Lowestoft, b; Dauntless s, [illegible], Palma, via London, ore.

SAILINGS, February 13.—Karen, Mikkelsen, Hartlepool, light; Georgia s, Green, Cardiff, bunkers; [illegible] s, —, Cardiff, bunkers; Gemma s, Ming, Flensburg, c and i; (14) Iris, Porritt, Faversham, c; Lancashire Lass, Porritt, Colchester, c.

"GAZETTE" SPECIAL REPORTS.

MIDDLESBROUGH.

Aycliffe left Civita Vecchia for Salina 14th.
Corisande arrived at Grangemouth 13th.

STOCKTON.

Driffield left Cardiff for Cape Verdes 13th.

WEST HARTLEPOOL.

Amphitrite arrived at Rangoon 13th.
Aurora arrived at Singapore 11th.
Bertie passed Malta for Gibraltar 12th.
Marian arrived at Blyth from Bremen 13th.
Hudson arrived at Newport News 13th.
Sandal left Newport (Mon.) for Venice 14th.
Tockwith arrived at Port Said 13th.
Granville left Port Said for Novorossisk 13th.
Horace left Alexandria for Constantinople 13th.
James Groves left Bilbao for Middlesbrough 13th.
Clematis arrived at Cardiff from Bilbao 3rd.
Paola passed Gibraltar for Dunkirk.
Bedlington in the Tyne.
Petunia arrived at Odessa from Venice.
Charles Steels left Valparaiso for Liverpool.
Pocklington arrived at South Shields from Antwerp 9th.
Sylvia arrived at Cardiff from Antwerp 9th.

WHITBY.

Vera left Cardiff for Naples 13th.
Southgate arrived at Genoa from Cardiff 13th.
Blenheim fitting out at West Hartlepool.
Dunsley left Antwerp for Cardiff 13th.
Aline loading at Newport for Venice.
Crescent leaves Glasgow for [illegible] 14th.
Fernbrook discharging at Brindisi.
Garnet left Newport for Genoa 12th.
Thomas Turnbull arrived at Barry from Havre 12th.
George Clarkson loading at Cardiff for Poti.
Stokesley left the Tyne for Grangemouth 14th.
Enterprise trading on the South Australian Coast.
Robina arrived at Fleetwood from Poti 12th.
[illegible] left Barry for Bastia 13th.
Helena left Malta for Glasgow 13th.
Robert Harrowing [illegible] Singapore for Elephant Point 11th.
Solon left Plymouth for Newport 11th.
Syra arrived at La Rochelle from the Tyne 13th.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

The following are the Meteorological Office weather forecasts, issued at noon to-day, referring to the weather of the ensuing twenty-four hours in the following districts of Great Britain and Ireland:—

0. SCOTLAND, N.—Wind unsettled, backing to southwestward again, with changeable unsettled weather.
1. SCOTLAND, E.—Southerly winds, freshening; [illegible] to unsettled.
2. ENGLAND, N.E. (including Cleveland).—Same as No. 1.
3. ENGLAND, E.—Southerly and varying winds, weather uncertain at present, but likely to become unsettled.
4. MIDLAND COUNTIES.—Same as No. 3.
5. ENGLAND, S. (including London and Channel).—Same as No. 3.
6. SCOTLAND, W.—Same as No. 0.
7. ENGLAND, N.W., and N. WALES.—Southerly winds, increasing with rain.
8. ENGLAND, S.W., and S. WALES.—Same as No. 7.
9. IRELAND, N.—South-easterly and southerly winds, becoming strong; rainy.
10. IRELAND, S.—Same as No. 9.

KAY'S COMPOUND, for Coughs and Colds, Asthma, and Bronchitis are [illegible].—ADVT.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

DEATHS.

APPLETON.—February 11th, at 5, Seaham-street, Stockton, Elizabeth, relict of Richard Appleton, [illegible], aged 71. Interment at Norton on Sunday, leaving at 2 o'clock. Friends please accept this intimation. No cards.

COX.—On the 13th inst., at 27, High Wilson-street, suddenly, Frances Jane, the beloved wife of [illegible] Cox. To be interred on Sunday, cortege leaving above address at 3 p.m. Friends please accept this (the only) intimation. 14

CROMACK.—On the 12th, at 18, Prince's-street, Stockton, Ann Cromack, widow of the late Samuel Cromack, aged 64 years. Interment on Sunday, leaving residence at 2.30 p.m. Friends please accept this intimation. 14

HUNTER.—On the 14th inst., at the Royal Oak, [illegible], Stockton, Michael Hunter, aged 73. Interment on Tuesday at Stockton Cemetery at 11 a.m. Friends please accept this (the only) intimation. 15

SCOTT.—February 13th, at 14, Airth-street, Stockton, William Scott, late of York, aged 74. Cortege will leave residence on Monday, 1.30 p.m. Friends please accept this (the only) intimation. 14

IN MEMORIAM.

BLANCHARD.—In ever-loving memory of [illegible] Blanchard, late Sergt. 18th Hussars, who died at Middlesbrough, Feb. 13th, 1889, aged 36 years. 14

COULSON.—In loving memory of Elizabeth Coulson, the beloved mother of Mrs Blackburn, [illegible], Norton, who died February 14th, 1889. 14

[Births, Marriages, and Deaths when prepaid are charged 1s 6d each insertion of not exceeding 16 words, and 6d for every additional 10 words.]

FRESH Cut Flowers, Wreaths, Crosses, Dress and Ball Bouquets on the Shortest Notice. [illegible], Florist, Stockton and Middlesbro'. Telephone No. [illegible]

AGENTS Wanted to Sell [illegible] Pills; [illegible] commission. Apply for particulars to [illegible], Cwmynyscoy, Pontypool, Mon.

BOOT Trade.—Wanted, [illegible] Workmen, Puddler's Boots. Wm. Robinson, 4, [illegible] street, South Bank. 17

BOOT Trade.—Wanted, an experienced [illegible] Cashier. Apply, stating age, references, and salary required, to Box 32, "Gazette" Office, Stockton. 17

CANVASSING Agent Wanted; respectable, energetic; liberal terms. Apply A. and G. [illegible], Photographers, 103, High-street, Stockton. 17

COOK (good, plain) Wanted for Stockton; [illegible] wages; no washing. Miss Hayllar's Registry, Bridge-road, Stockton.

GROCER'S Warehouseman Wanted; middle-aged man preferred. Apply Thompson Brothers, Stockton. 17

GENERAL Servant Wanted, not under 20 years of age. Apply 2, Borough-road West, Middlesbrough. 14

GENERAL Servant (smart, active) Wanted; small family, where housekeeper and nurse are kept; no cooking; wages £14. Address L4, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 17

KITCHENMAID, Scullerymaid, and Laundress for private Hotel at Harrogate; good wages. Miss Hayllar's Registry, Bridge-road, Stockton. 17

SITUATION Wanted as General Servant; good cook; good references. Apply 313, "Gazette" Office, Stockton. 17

WAITRESS (experienced) Wanted; good character. Apply Grand Hotel, Middlesbrough. 15

YOUNG Man (active, intelligent) Wanted as Traveller and Book-keeper; must have thorough knowledge of Book-keeping; one preferred having connection in Oil and Paint Trade. Apply, stating age, salary required, and references to A13, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough. 17

A VAPOUR or Box Bath for 6d on Sunday mornings, at Middlesbrough Turkish Baths.

BLACK Retriever Bitch; good house or watch dog; used to children; cheap. Bellas, [illegible], Stockton. 14

FOOTBALL.—Coatham Grammar [illegible] want [illegible] with weak teams for February 21st and 28th. Apply Secretary. 14

HAVE you a Constitutional Weakness? [illegible] Turkish Baths will eradicate it, as it has [illegible] thousands.

IRON Columns, Slates, Rooting Timber, Iron Tanks, 200 to 400 gals.; all second hand, good and cheap. W. Blenkinsop and Co., Middlesbrough.

ROOM (unfurnished) Wanted, near Railway Station; describe with terms. Address A17, "Gazette" Office, Middlesbrough.

STABLE, Coach-House, and Loft over To Let, Linthorpe (near Post Office). Address [illegible], "Gazette" Office.

SCOTCH Collie Bitch (fine) For Sale. Apply [illegible] Trent-street, Grange-road East, Middlesbrough. 17

LOST, on the 13th, black Retriever Dog; answers to "Wallace;" name on collar. Apply 4, Tennant-street, Stockton. 17

Y.M.C.A., STOCKTON.—The REV. T. [illegible] EDWARDS will give an Address To-morrow, 3 p.m. All young men are welcome.

CURATIVE TURKISH BATHS, every Sunday Morning, 1s each, cures colds and rheumatism, at Middlesbrough Turkish Baths.

GEESE! GEESE!

H. KENT has a large quantity of [illegible] killed Geese at 7d per lb.; also, a large quantity of fresh Rabbits, from 10d to 1/3 each.

H. KENT'S STALL, MIDDLESBROUGH MARKET.

GREAT BLANKET FIGHT TO-NIGHT. Bloom, the Watch King, To-night. Good[illegible] price. See and believe. Bloom's [illegible] ever. Royal Auction Mart, Boundary-road, Middlesbrough.

CHIPS.

Negroes and Indians rarely if ever become bald.

In a game of whist the chances against holding seven trumps are 160 to 1.

The oldest musical association in Europe is the Madrigal Society founded in 1741 by John Immyns.

London contains sixty-seven parishes, and only twenty-three of them have adopted the Free Libraries Act.

It may interest those who have never weighed a million of gold to know that, including the packing, it turns the scales at about eight tons.

Two of the daughters of the Lord Mayor of London are deaf and dumb, but have been so thoroughly educated in the oral system in Holland that they can, by lip reading, understand the play at the theatre.

Madame Sara Bernhardt expects to come back from her next American tour a millionaire. Her engagement is for two years, and is to embrace the two Americas. She is to get £40 a day for hotel expenses, and £120 for each representation—plus the third of what may be taken at the doors.

When the bearers raised the coffin at the funeral of the Duke of Bedford it was felt to be very heavy, although the corpse had been cremated. It was then learnt that the Duke had left instructions that a large piece of lead should be placed in it, with a statement of the cremation, in case on the coffin being opened some centuries hence any suspicion should arise from its being discovered to be empty.

Here is an instance of the difficulties attending census operations in Bengal. A "Handi"—that is, a family—is the present unit of the census system, but the word also means a cooking-pot. An enumerator received instructions to count the "handis" in his block, and he accordingly walked into a house and began to count the cooking-pots of the alarmed householder, under the idea that he was thus forwarding the census operations. This is an actual incident, vouched for by a census officer.

Mr Bret Harte is at present in a secluded nook a little way out of London hard at work on a new story of some length. He is a steady worker, and only stops for an hour's walk every day. When at work his diet is simple. He retires early and, unlike Charles Lamb, gets up early too, sometimes working for two or three hours before he has his morning coffee, eggs, and rolls. When he places his manuscript in the hands of his publisher he considers his labours finished, for Mr Bret Harte does not love proof-reading.

The marriage ceremony practised by the people of Borneo is very short and simple. Bride and groom are brought out before the assembled tribe with great solemnity, and seated side by side. A betel-nut is then cut in two by the medicine-woman of the tribe, and one-half is given to the bride and the other half to the groom. They begin to chew the nut, and then the old woman, after some sort of incantation, knocks their heads together, and they are declared man and wife.

A petition is being circulated in the Houses of Parliament which earnestly prays the Government to favourably consider the case of Mrs James Grant, widow of the author of "The Romance of War," and many another popular military novel and historical work. Among the Scotch Peers who have attached their signatures are the Dukes of Buccleuch, Abercorn, and Fife, and Lords Wemyss and Lothian. The Duke of Norfolk, Lord Wolseley, and Lord Chelmsford have also signed it.

The question of "What is an aristocrat?" is not easy to answer. But the following conversation between two London street arabs is suggestive of a solution:—Scene: The outside of a grocer's window. First Boy: "What's them green things in a bottle?" Second Boy: "Olives. Can't you see it's wrote on the label?" First Boy: "Well, what's olives?" Second Boy: "Oh! things what the aristocracy eat." First Boy: "And what's the aristocracy?" Second Boy: "Why, them folks what eats anything."

A benevolent lady, living in a fashionable West End street, took upon herself this winter to establish an amateur soup-kitchen, and with this object placed her services at the disposal of a ticket distributing society. Of the eight persons who appeared for relief, only one, a crippled woman, remained a constant customer—four not liking soup, two annexing jugs lent to them, and the last, a small boy, abandoning his claim under the following circumstances. He was a crossing-sweeper in a great square hard by, and on being interviewed by the lady confessed that his earnings amounted to as much as 16s a week, while his mother could gain half-a-crown a day by "charing." "And do you think you ought to come here for soup?" asked the giver of broth. "Well, no, I don't," replied the lad, "and that's a fact, ma'am. But," he added, as a kind of happy thought, "if you'll only give me a penny every time you walks my crossing, you can eat the soup yourself!"

The Mohammedan's scorn of women is the logical outcome of his religion, which refuses to recognise their claim as human beings deserving of respect. As they are of use to man, they are worth food and shelter, but they are not in the least entitled to standing ground at his side. The Countess Cowper, in "A Month in Palestine," gives an instance, far more telling than any sermon, of this dreadful state of things. "I was told by a Christian in Cairo that he was once walking with a well-to-do Mohammedan, with whom he was intimate, and who had often discussed with him the different position of women in their respective sects. As they passed an old, veiled figure in the street, who shrank on one side out of their way, the follower of the Prophet delivered a passing but well-directed kick at her. 'There,' said the Christian, 'that is what I complain of. You kick a woman as we should not kick even a dog.' '*That*' said his companion, with a look of genuine astonishment, 'why, that is only my mother!'"

Mrs Mary Lowell, says *Iron*, is known in New York as the "Electrical Star," and lately turned her love for electrical engineering to practical account. She was without a servant, and determined to try whether she could not light the kitchen fire by means of a tame flash of electricity, so to speak, and then let it burn up before she got up herself. She fitted up wires to and from her bedhead to the kitchen grate, thus completing an electric current with the aid of a small battery, and all that then remained to be done was to so "build" the fire that the materials should more easily ignite. The wires were connected by a piece of platinum, and round this there was loosely wrapped what firework makers call "lightning paper." Over this again was strewn some tissue paper, upon it placed a wheel of firewood, and on the latter the coal. At seven in the morning, when the fire had to be lit, the current was sent by Mrs Lowell through the wires. The platinum lit the lightning paper, then the tissue, the tissue the firewood, and the firewood the coal. When Mrs Lowell descended to the kitchen the kettle was boiling, and the place comfortably warm. The lady thinks she has done quite something towards the solution of the servant girl question, with which housekeepers in America are more troubled than some of us here have any idea of.

There has been quite a buzz of comment aroused in New York Society about a Royal crown worn by Mrs Vanderbilt at the opera the other evening. The crown was a real, unmistakable crown, not a tiara by any means, and is, according to her friends, made in exact duplicate of the British crown. Mrs Vanderbilt has, indeed, two crowns. The one made in imitation of Queen Victoria's crown was got up after some patriotic hesitation by a London jeweller. The other one is the crown of a German Princess, purchased from the one-time regal and legal owner by Mrs Vanderbilt herself. The purchaser has every necessary guarantee of its genuineness. She does not wear it regularly, because the Princess was somewhat obscure, and the crown does not fit her as well as the British one does. The crown that Mrs Vanderbilt has worn at the opera and which she has previously worn at some Society affairs is a glorious arrangement in pearls and diamonds, rising in a very stately and picturesque fashion from the head. It would make half-a-dozen tiaras, and it is said to have cost 300,000 dollars. The design is very graceful. The crowns worn by Mrs Seward Webb and Mrs Ogden Mills are not so costly as is Mrs Vanderbilt's crown, but they are first-class articles, made in the best style, riveted throughout, and warranted, so far as the number and quality of the jewels are concerned, equal to any of the minor crowns of Europe. There is a story about a fourth crown, whose owner was so frightened by the irreverent references made to the three crowns already in evidence that she will not put it on her head and go out with it. For the present she simply wears it in front of her dressing-glass and then carefully goes out without it.

THE WHITECHAPEL CRIME.

REPORTED ARREST OF THE "RIPPER."

Not only London but all England rings to-day with the story of the fearful crime in Chambers-street, Whitechapel, which seems to indicate, only to plainly, that the monstre whom the lower classes have christened by the suggestive name of "Jack the Ripper" has made a reappearance and a recommencement of his diabolical crimes. True, the body was not mutilated in the way that the previous victims had been, but this is fully explained by the fact that the officer who discovered the body must have disturbed the murderer in his work. Constable Thompson, who is a young officer recently drafted into the division, approached the entrance to the archway, it would seem, just as the victims throat had been cut, and apparently when the miscreant was about to carry out his practice of mutilation. Indeed, the officer states that he

HEARD THE SOUNDS OF RETREATING FOOTSTEPS

before his suspicions were aroused. He had passed the spot fifteen minutes previously, and there was no one there. At the Royal Mint-street end of the thoroughfare the beat of another constable, H 139, passes. This officer went by after two o'clock. In Royal Mint-street, within full view of the entrance to the archway, is the Royal Mint refinery, of which Mr Alfred de Rothschild is the principal. Here a plain clothes officer is kept on watch all night. He was there at his post yesterday morning, but he and the others saw nothing at all. The place is notorious as a resort of women of the unfortunate class, despite the efforts of the police to keep them away. In fact, two women were arrested for loitering at this spot earlier in the night by one of the constables who assisted to remove the body. When found by P.C. Thompson, the woman was lying upon her back in such a manner as to suggest that she had been murdered under the archway. Her hair was dishevelled, as though she had been engaged in a struggle. The victim could only have been murdered

A FEW SECONDS BEFORE HE ARRIVED.

The warm blood was still gushing from the throat with each expiring breath. She rolled her eyes once or twice. Her lips moved slightly; but no sound came from them. She tried to move her arm, but in a few seconds all was still. From the appearance of the wound the throat appears to have been cut by a left-handed person. It will be remembered that the appearance of the wounds of the previous victims went to prove that the murderer was left-handed. The gashes are rough and hacked. "Jack" always used to do this part of his business with one clean, sweeping cut. This time the wound looks as though the murderer had hurriedly made several attempts or had used a jagged-edged knife. The news of the murder was soon made known to the police force of the district, and in a very short space of time the place was swarming with detectives. All there was for them to see when they got there was a great ghastly pool of decomposing blood lying in the roadway, and slowly trickling along the gutter on either side. Bull's eye lights were thrown on it and all around. But there was nothing to be seen but blood. The bull's-eye searched the walls, but there was no writing this time. Buckets of water were fetched and a broom, and as the blood was washed away every drop was watched by a dozen pair of eyes to see if perchance it carried some bit of possible evidence. But there was none. When the blood had been removed there remained no trace of the crime except the little female figure with the gaping throat lying in the mortuary, and after the search was finished, and the people were permitted to pass through the gardens, all there was for them to see was a rough mark of a cross cut by a policeman on the wooden hoarding against which the deed was done, to mark the spot of "Jack the Ripper's" latest terrible and mysterious manifestation. Jack himself has returned into space.

A FATAL APPOINTMENT.

A singular fact about the case is that very little trace can be gathered of the woman's movements on that fatal Thursday night. The more credible statements were made by a man commonly known in the district as "Jumbo," and by William Friday, John and Joe Kempton, in the employ of the Great Northern Railway Company, who asserted that they saw the murdered woman speaking to a man at 1.25 a.m. at the corner of Rosemary-lane, near the scene of the murder. The man they described as wearing a brown coat and a brown hat, his height being about 5ft. 4in., and he was of stout build. The three last-named men went to some stables close by, where they remained about 35 minutes, and on returning found a constable in charge of the body. According to one man who resided in the locality, the murdered woman was seen in company with another woman drinking in a public-house near Swallow Gardens at about half-past twelve on Thursday night. The deceased is stated to have said that she had so meet someone at the Arch at the half-hour. The statement given goes to show that the woman kept her appointment, which in all probability was with her murderer. The police are inclined to believe that the woman's throat was cut as she was standing, and that the wound on the head was caused when she fell to the ground. Jumbo's statement is that he had gone half-way through the arch when his attention was attracted by two figures standing against the wooden partition. He did not observe these until he almost touched them, and then, naturally startled by what was almost an apparition at that hour of the night, he halted a moment, and looked in the face of each. They neither spoke, and he passed on into Royal Mint street. He is believed to have declared to the police that he could identify the man if brought face to face with him.

IDENTIFICATION OF THE WOMAN.

According to one account the deceased woman has been recognised as an unfortunate, well known in the neighbourhood of Tower Hill as "Carrotty Nell." Another statement is that shortly before three o'clock a woman presented herself at the mortuary in Whitechapel-road, and stated that she wished to see the body, as she believed she could recognise it. She was, however, informed that she would have to get an order from the police before she could be permitted to view the remains. Accordingly she went to Leman-street Police Station, and, having satisfied the authorities that her request was a *bona-fide* one, was taken by Sergeant Doolan to the mortuary. On seeing the body she asserted that it was that of a woman she was in the habit of walking the streets with, and who sometime ago lived in Thrawl-street, Spitalfields. Her name was either Francis or Frances, but whether it was a surname or Christian name the woman could not say. She had not, she added, seen the deceased for some time past. Two or three women were also able to certify the body as that of a young woman whom the Salvation Army endeavoured to reclaim, and who frequently slept at the Army Shelter in the Whitechapel-road. These women saw her alive for the last time on Monday. The mortuary is now being frequently visited by females, and some pathetic scenes have been witnessed as the women have come out after seeing the terrible injuries the victim has sustained. It is not without a great mental struggle that they brace themselves up for the ordeal, so great is their horror of these crimes, which they feel may any night have themselves for victims. Indeed, one woman was easily persuaded not to go to the death chamber. She had expressed the belief that she knew the victim—for an acquaintance of hers who was in mourning had not been seen by her since Thursday night—but with tears in her eyes another middle-aged woman influenced her not to go. "You know that them as goes to see his bodies are always his next victims," she said; and this superstition effectually decided the first woman to forego her visit to the mortuary.

ALLEGED COMPLETE IDENTIFICATION.

Telegraphing later, the Central News says the police have obtained information which leaves practically little doubt that the name of the latest victim of "Jack the Ripper" is Frances Coleman, who is believed to have relatives in the West of England. She has led a wandering and irregular life, and has been well known in the Whitechapel district for some time past. Her last known place of abode was a lodging-house in White's-row, Whitechapel.

"TEN MINUTES IN MURDERLAND."

Under this grimly-suggestive heading a London correspondent writes describing the scene yesterday, when the discovery of the crime had become more generally known. He says:—"The tunnel in which the foul deed was done is crowded with sightseers. It is like a corner of Tussaud's on Bank Holiday. A chalk cross marks the fatal spot, and that is what they crane their necks and strain their eyeballs to see. Hither come the porters off the job; hither come the postmen off the beat; hither come the railway guards; hither come the draymen. And, most of all, hither came the women, a blowsy, tousley crew, with mouth agape, and stridently discuss the deed. Hither the mother brings her children; in arms, at her breast, or by her side. 'All free, Lizzie, they makes no hextry charge,' says Mrs Boozy to Mrs Blowsy. 'A pretty howd'ye do, haint it?' 'My word, Betsy, and it might ha bin you or me.' 'That's right, Lizzie. Whose turn next? that's wot I say. Wot's the use o' the likes o' you?' scoffing at the poor policeman. Here the interesting couple is joined by a group of workgirls, who begin to exchange some lively banter with a postman. 'He'll 'ave *you* next, Mary,' tickling her with his forefinger. And Mary tittered at the mere idea of such a huge joke. 'An' just to think as how he may be amorgst the crowd now a-lookin' on at this very momink!' Here I was accosted by a genial drayman. 'Av' a drink along o' me, guv'nor,' said he; 'You a newspaper man and won't 'av a drink?—*not along o' me*—that's it. Put it down, I'm drunk,' which I do. Pleasantly tipsy, from drowning his sorrow. All black Jack. 'Come, change yer mind, now won't yer?' I explained as soothingly as possible that I had no objection to a drink after I had viewed the body. I should want it then, but the genial drayman had a thirst on him which, he said, required instant treatment. So we shook hands cordially, and he lurched away down the tunnel. The geography and topography of this tunnel is doubtless explained elsewhere. It is a tunnel bisected by a wooden hoarding, bound together by rusty iron bands. The timber is painted black, and shines with grease. The spot itself is right in the middle of the tunnel, at the further end of which is a children's school. On the left of this is a number of open arches, grimy, weather-stained, and horrible. There is a small court lower down, in which the washing of the neighbourhood is fluttering in the wind; and round the curve again are more arches. A more convenient place for a murder you would never find. It has as many passages as a rabbit warren. It is only eleven o'clock, but, as I have said, the tunnel and approaches are blocked with the foulest crew of men and women, who evidently rejoiced in the unusual excitement. The variety of hats and bonnets, the selection of shawls, ulsters, and feathers; the studies in neckcloths and petticoats—all these were endless. Most of the men despised braces, but showed an astonishing taste in waistbelts. Waistbelts fastened with serpents; one with an old padlock, and shiny greasy straps. The ladies who met this morning, too, most of them despised corsets, and adopted a loose and easy form of attire. The odour of beer, fried fish, gin, tobacco, and locomotive smoke was one of the most curious atmospheric mixtures my nostrils ever encountered. I counted three young women with a black eye each; one old woman had only one eye, and that was discoloured. You see the ladies were a strenuous lot, though they *had* half an hour to spare this morning. The sun was shining brightly on the mouth of the tunnel. There was a 'good old murder,' as one of the crowd called it; the wind was warm, there was a chalk cross to see 'all for nothink.' Many a British workman went without his dinner this morning, I dare swear, to judge from the number of jugs and baskets which lingering housewives carried in their hands. The strains of a distant barrel-organ, the raucous cries of the newsmen in the tunnel, where they stopped to get the benefit of the echo, the ringing of a peal of church bells, the laughter of the factory girls, the cries of the children coming out of the school at the tunnel mouth, all mingled together, and contributed to make my stay on the scene of the murder a very lively ten minutes."

REPORTED CAPTURE OF "JACK THE RIPPER."

The Press Association, telegraphing this afternoon, says—The police have arrested a man

WITH BLOOD ON HIS CLOTHES

who was seen with the murdered woman a quarter of an hour before the discovery of the body. They believe him to be the "Ripper."

A later telegram says:—The police have made what is regarded as a most important arrest. They have discovered at the docks a man for whom they have been seeking a considerable time, and who was seen with the murdered woman a quarter of an hour before the discovery of her body, and in him the police believe they have secured the notorious "Jack the Ripper." The arrest took place at the docks about half-past twelve this afternoon, the prisoner being

A MAN NAMED THOMAS SADDLER,

a ship's fireman. He has been regarded with suspicion for some time past. He was taken to Leman street Police Station, and there examined.

THE SILKSWORTH STRIKE.

IMPORTANT MEETING AT DURHAM.

THE MEN WILL REMAIN OUT.

A special meeting of the council of the Durham Miners' Association was held today to consider the subject of the Silksworth strike. All the collieries were specially requested to instruct their delegates on the matter as to how they should vote, so that a final vote could be taken on the subject. Four questions were submitted to the council—viz., (1) Shall the men continue idle? (2) Are the men to return to work? (3) Shall the committee have full power to make a final settlement? (4) Will you appoint a deputation of the Council to settle the matter? The discussion on these points lasted nearly three hours, and it was finally resolved by 229 votes to 138 that the men should continue idle. The stumbling block in the settlement of the question is the so-called "Deputies' Association." The deputies are doing more than deputy work, and the impression amongst the miners is that the Deputies' Association is not a genuine trade organisation, but a society in which the masters are interested, more or less. It was also decided at to-day's meeting to leave to the Committee of the Durham Miners' Association the question of arranging as to whether or not a ballot of all Lord Londonderry's collieries should be taken with a view of all those collieries being laid idle. It was likewise agreed that a special levy should be put upon every man and upon every boy in the county towards the support of the Silksworth men. The result of the Council meeting was telegraphed to the Coalowners' Association, and it is assumed that the evictions at Silksworth Colliery will take place on next Monday as appointed.

WORKINGTON IRONWORKERS GIVEN NOTICE.

The employees at the West Cumberland Iron and Steel Works, Workington, to-day received notice to cease work at the end of next week. They number 1,400. The firm has no orders fo steel rails, and the managers say they can purchase pig iron cheaper than the present cost of making.

THROAT IRRITATION AND COUGH.—Soreness and dryness, tickling and irritation, inducing cough and affecting the voice. For these symptoms use Epps's Glycerine Jujubes. In contact with the glands at the moment they are excited by the act of sucking, the Glycerine in these agreeable confections becomes actively healing. Sold only in boxes 7½d, tins 1s 1½d, labelled "JAMES EPPS & Co., Homœopathic Chemists, London." Dr. Moore, in his work on "Nose and Throat Diseases," says: "The Glycerine Jujubes prepared by James Epps and Co. are of undoubted service as a curative or palliative agent;" while Dr. Gordon Holmes, Senior Physician to the Municipal Throat and Ear Infirmary, writes: "After an extended trial, I have found your Glycerine Jujubes of considerable benefit in almost all forms of throat disease."—ADVT.

The Editor of the *Medical Annual* for 1890 points out that potash is largely used to add to the solubility of many of the Cocoas at present sold, but that, in marked contrast, MESSRS CADBURY supply an absolutely pure Cocoa of the highest quality; and that the name CADBURY on any packet of Cocoa or Chocolate is a guarantee of purity.—ADVT.

The inhabitants of Stockton and district will save money by making an early inspection of E Cowley's select assortment of Watches and Jewellery 131, High-street, Stockton.—ADVT.

Darlington Fent Store Company's system of business enables them to supply goods at 25 per cent. below any other house in the North. Plushes, Velvets, Trimmings, and Dress Silks at half-price. Tweeds at 1s per yard upwards. This is guaranteed; in proof write to see patterns.—ADVT.

KAY'S COMPOUND, a demulcent anodyne expectorant for Coughs, 9½d, 13½d. All Chemists.—ADVT

If your Watch Stops take it to Collingwoods', when you may rely on having it made right. Repairs cheaply, quickly, and well done.—ADVT.

TO ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING from chronic Kidney and Liver diseases, Diabetes or Bright's disease, or any derangements of the human body, nervous weakness, general debility, lassitude, loss of memory, want of brain power. To introduce it I will send genuine information free of charge of a new cheap and sure cure, the simplest remedy on earth, discovered in the Mississippi Valley. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to James Holland, 52, Hart-street, High Holborn, London. Mention this paper.—ADVT.

THE GATES OF EDEN.

By ANNIE S. SWAN, Author of "Aldersyde," "St. Veda's," "Across Her Path," &c., &c.

SYNOPSIS OF OPENING CHAPTERS.

The first chapter introduces the family of the Bethunes of Auchtermairnie. Old John Bethune had two sons and a daughter. The elder son, Peter, was an ill-conditioned, blustering fellow, whose bullying and greedy nature had driven his younger and gentler brother John to leave the farm and establish himself in the neighbouring village of Star. Peter then exercised his loutish tyranny on his father, whom he kept labouring in the fields like any other labourer. Susan, the sister, was an honest but rigid and unamiable woman, who had completely dissevered her self from her brother John since he had married Katie Law, whom she chose to regard as beneath the dignity of the Bethunes. Katie is now on her deathbed, and in his great sorrow John Bethune sends for his sister, who, in an ungracious mood, journeys to Star, only to find that the object of her enmity had gone the way of all flesh. When Susan found that Katie had left two twin babes behind her her hard heart was melted, and she sought to comfort her brother in his great bereavement. She stayed with her brother and reared the two boys, who were named Alexander and James. Meanwhile Peter, who had arranged to marry Margaret Thompson for her money, had got possession of his father's property, and was now quickly driving the the old man to his grave. The boys grew up widely different in character—Sandy being bright, clever, and rattling, and Jamie a tall, thin boy, with a face redeemed from plainness by the earnest dark eyes, which shone like stars beneath a broad open brow, indicative of ability and thought. Sandy was looked upon as the clever, intellectual boy of the family; and while Jamie was tied down to the distasteful farm work, his brother was trained for the ministry his father thought he would adorn. Everything was sacrificed for Sandy's sake, and Jamie brooded bitterly upon his position. Jamie, however, found a friend in Mr Farquhar, the village schoolmaster, who was the first to see the great promise the lad showed, and helped him in his studies. Five years passed away, and Sandy Bethune, after a successful college career, came to his native village Here he revived his acquaintance with Mary Campbell, whose lover he had been, and succeeded in dissipating the resentment she had felt against him on account of his neglect. Two years later we find Peter Bethune's wife dead, and John Bethune gradually finding out the stores of knowledge which Jamie had acquired. Jamie patiently bided his time, content to stay at the Star while his father needed him. Sandy was appointed to the living of Lochbroom.

CHAPTER VII. (CONTINUED.)

An awkward, almost painful, silence followed upon the old man's solemn warning. Jamie turned to his book again, while Sandy sat twirling his thumbs and looking moodily into the fire. He felt himself aggrieved, after having rushed home to tell them the news, that they should receive him with such cold congratulations. At that moment Sandy Bethune felt further off than ever from his own folk. They would never understand nor appreciate him, and it was hardly possible to put up with their ignorant, old-world notions.

"Don't be so hard on me, father," he said, feeling that some remark was expected of him. "Of course I mean to work hard, and do as much good as I can. It wasn't fair of Aunt Susan to come down so hard upon me. What does she know about it, any way?"

"She means well," said the old man; and then a silence fell upon them again.

"Well, I'll go away up to the Knowe, and tell them the news," said Sandy, jumping up. "What are you reading, Jamie? Mill's 'System of Logic.' Upon my word, you are going in for philosophy with a vengeance. But do you understand it?" he added, curiously, and the tone of the question brought the ready flush to his brother's cheek. At four-and-twenty he was as sensitive on some points as a child.

"Understand it! Yes, he does, and a deal more than me, or even you, Sandy, with all your college lore," said the old man, with a certain deep satisfaction and pride which astonished Sandy as much as the fact of Jamie reading Mill.

He smiled, just a trifle incredulously, and went away out of the house. Knowing that Mrs Campbell's milk customers would be about the kitchen entrance at the Knowe, he took the trouble to go up the old road a bit, and then through the stackyark to the front door. The snow had ceased to fall, and the sky was breaking up, and revealing, here and there, blue patches set with stars. The frost was intense, and already the snow-covered paths were growing crisp and slippery. David Campbell himself answered the low knock, and peered out curiously when he opened the door, wondering what front-door visitor could be so late on a stormy night.

"Mr Bell!" he exclaimed, when he saw the figure in clerical garb. "No; oh, is it you, Sandy Bethune? Come in. Nobody was expecting you."

"I won't come in, thanks. Is Mary in the house, Mr Campbell? I want to see her for a little."

"She is not in. She has gone to Markinch, doing some shopping for her aunt, who has got a cold. Come in and have a chat till she comes back."

"I think I'll go and meet her. "She'll be sure to come over the Cunan Hill, I suppose?"

"Oh, sure; it's the nearest way from Northhall, you know, and the best, especially on a snowy night. But what's brought you to the Star all on a sudden to-night?"

"I'll tell you when I come back. It's good news," said Sandy, with a laugh. "Is there a stick in the lobby? Hand it out, please. The roads are very slippery."

"There's my father's tree for you," said David Campbell, handing out the stout crook which had stood for fifty years and more in the lobby at the Knowe.

Thus equipped, Sandy Bethune trudged off. Directly he was beyond the houses he lit a cigar and walked on quickly, pondering certain things in his mind. He felt a vague dissatisfaction, an uneasy consciousness that his relations with the Star were not quite what they should be. Every step he took was bringing him nearer Mary Campbell, but the thought had not power to thrill his pulses or make his heart beat faster; and yet he had not seen her for nearly four months.

The sky gradually cleared as the wind rose, and when he passed through the wicket into the path which led over the hill he could see Mary coming over the brow of the slope—at least, there was a woman's figure standing out clearly against the deep blue of the sky, and which would in all probability be Mary. He walked more leisurely now, and just met her at the base of the hill.

"Oh, Sandy!" she exclaimed, breathlessly, and yet somehow she did not exhibit that surprise he expected. The explanation was that he was so continually in her thoughts that it could not have seemed very strange though he should appear sometimes at her side.

"How are you, Mary?" he asked; and after holding her hand a moment he stooped and kissed her. As he did so he saw her eyes fill with tears.

"They didn't know you were coming, surely. At least, I saw Jamie yesterday, and he said nothing about it."

"No, they didn't know; I didn't know myself," said Sandy, rather shortly; for the broad Scotch in which this was spoken, even when uttered in so sweet a tone, jarred upon him and vexed him.

"I hope there's nothing wrong," she said, rather timidly.

"No. I've got a church, Mary; that's what brought me to the Star to-night," he said. "We need not stand here. Let us walk on."

"A church! Oh, Sandy, where?"

"At Lochbroom, near Lockerbie. They have elected me unanimously. I am told there was not one dissentient voice," said Sandy, with his grandest air.

"Near Lockerbie! Where's that, Sandy?"

"In Dumfriesshire, you little goose. Have you forgotten all your geography already?"

"I think I have. And when do you go, Sandy?"

"As soon as I can; of course, now it will be after the New Year. But you're never asking about the stipend or the manse, Mary."

"But you'll tell me all about it, Sandy," said Mary, with a fleeting upward smile which had a touch of wistfulness in it. Mary Campbell's love was more a pain than a joy; there was a strange uncertainty and fear mingling with it, and an utter absence of that perfect trust and freedom which makes love's young dream so sweet.

"The stipend is two hundred, besides the glebe, and the manse has ten rooms in it, Mary; different from anything you've been accustomed to."

"Ten rooms, Sandy!" echoed Mary in a whisper. "That's more than they have at Carriston; as many nearly, I believe, as what's at Brunton."

"It's bigger than the Knowe, any way," said Sandy, without drawing any comparison between it and his own humble home. "There'll be a dining-room and a drawing-room and a study; then bedrooms, of course. It'll take a lot of money to furnish it, but my father must just advance the cash. I must make a good appearance at first, you know; so much depends on that."

"But such a house is by far too big for you, Sandy," Mary ventured to say, but did not say "for us," as most girls would have done.

"Not a bit of it. I've been a great deal in fine houses, and you'll soon grow accustomed. You'll need to pull up, though, Mary, and learn a great deal within the next twelve months, before you come to the Manse of Lochbroom."

Mary sighed. She felt very ignorant and weak—unfitted for the position of which her lover spoke. The burden of the future sometimes weighed very heavily on her, and Sandy was not so helpful as he might have been. He was always readier to find fault than to notice improvements or commend her for doing well.

"Did you read the books I sent to you, Mary?"

"Yes, I read them; but I don't know the meaning of the half in Bacon's Essays. I liked some of the poetry books best," said Mary. "I don't think I'm clever enough to read your fine books Sandy; it would be better to let me alone. I'd rather learn all you want me to learn just by listening to you. And I've so much to do that when I sit down sometimes at night to a book I fall asleep."

Sandy Bethune bit his lip, but when he felt the light hand tremble on his arm his heart smote him. After all, he was a little hard on the poor little girl, who had never had a chance.

"Never mind, my pet. Don't bother your little head any more over Bacon. I dare say he's rather a dry old chap. I dare say you'll do splendidly when you're away from the drudgery of the Knowe," said Sandy; and as they were in the deep shadow of the malt barns, and nobody was in sight, he stooped down and kissed her again. Her humility touched him, and he was very fond of her in his own way. And if only she would not speak so broad, she was very pretty, and when properly dressed would look as like a lady as many he knew.

"So you'll need to be getting your things ready, Mary. Women always get a lot of stuff, don't they, when they're going to be married? Of course it won't be for a while yet, till I get settled a while, and am all ready for you. Won't you be glad to come?"

"Yes, if only I can please you, and make you a good wife," said Mary, with a sob in her voice. "But oh, Sandy, remember that if you think you would be better with somebody else, I'm quite willing to give you up. I don't know what I would do if you thought you had made a mistake when it was too late to mend it."

"If we weren't so near the Knowe, you little monkey, I'd punish you for such a speech," said Sandy, playfully. Then a smile stole through her tears again, and for the moment the girls anxious heart was set at rest.

(To be continued.)

WHOSE WAS THE HAND?

By MISS BRADDON, Author of "Lady Audley's Secret," "Like and Unlike," "The Day Will Come," &c.

CHAPTER XIII. (CONTINUED.)

Florestan had no more doubt that Madame Quijada's niece was Antoinette Morel than he had of his own identity. Her denial was in its mode and manner quite as good as a confession. He was strongly inclined to believe that the elderly and aristocratic French woman who changed the notes was no other than Madame Quijada. True, the elderly lady's white hair was a point in the description, while the Spanish lady's hair was still black, but it would be only natural that a woman entrusted with such a critical mission would do her utmost to hide her identity.

Was it the same woman who stopped Robert Hatrell in Cranbourn-street and who appealed to him on behalf of the dying Antoinette. Yes, Florestan thought, the same; although the woman in Cranbourn-street was described by Colonel Macdonald as middle-aged. And if this were so, Madame Quijada had been her nephew's aider and abettor in a diabolical murder.

Would Antoinette, otherwise Louise, warn her aunt of his suspicions? He determined to appear in the lady's salon on her next evening in order to discover, if it were possible, what confidences had passed between the aunt and niece. His own idea of the situation was that the younger woman existed in her aunt's house only on sufferance, and that there was suspicion on the aunt's side and loathing on the side of the niece.

He spent only half an hour in the Rue St. Guillaume. Louise was absent from the salon, suffering from a neuralgic headache, her aunt told him. Dolores looked pale and preoccupied. There was no change in her mother's manner, and Florestan concluded that Louise had told her nothing. There was no other visitor, and the dulness of the salon was oppressive.

Before he left he contrived, in the most casual way, to ask an important question.

He commented in a sympathising tone upon Madlle. Marcet's delicate appearance and weak health, and then he asked abruptly—

"How long is it since she had that serious illness of which you told me?"

"A good many years, I really don't remember how many," replied Madame Quijada.

"Oh, mother, you can't forget the year," cried Dolores, who had been yawning behind her fan. "It was in '72, the year we went to Madrid."

The year of Robert Hatrell's murder. This answer settled two points. Antoinette's illness, and the establishment of Madame Quijada at Madrid, had been events of the same year.

Florestan felt that he was getting the threads of the tangled skein into his hands. He called on the following day at the headquarters of the Police de Sûreté, and was again admitted to M. Crifoni, the important official to whom he had confided his suspicions of Duverdier.

He told him all that he had discovered, and then the official said: "I have something to tell you as the result of the enquiry that has been made since you were last in this room."

"You have discovered the identity of Morel and Duverdier?" exclaimed Florestan, eagerly.

"Not conclusively; but we have discovered that Duverdier is a man of the worst possible reputation—to have escaped deportation to New Caledonia. We have discovered that on the strength of good looks and consummate audacity he has managed to live for the last seven years in Madrid and in Paris. I have despatched my agent to Madrid, and he may be able to get more details on the spot. In the meantime there is one fact that tells strongly against M. Leon Duverdier."

"And that is——"

"He has made off. He has scented danger, I believe, and has disappeared from Paris before he could be asked any inconvenient questions."

"Is that really so?"

"Yes."

"He has been warned by his sister," said Florestan, after a thoughtful silence. "I showed my cards too soon."

"Yes, that was a mistake. But if this Duverdier is as black a villain as you believe him to be—or, in other words, if he is the Denmark-street murderer, he will be sure to put his neck under the knife. No such man stops at a single crime."

"He is a man to be watched then," said Florestan.

"Yes, he is a man to be watched; and I believe he will prove a man worth watching."

CHAPTER XIV.

DAISY'S DIARY IN LONDON.

It was an old fancy, and one which had haunted me from the first night I slept in Grosvenor-square. As I laid myself down to rest in the pretty little bed, with its embroidered Japanese coverlet and cloud of white lace curtains—all devised by mother, so dainty and gracious—and as I heard the noise of the carriage wheels like the great hoarse roar of the sea—I said in myself, "This is London, cruel London, the city in which my father was lured to his death—the city in which a good man may be murdered in broad daylight, on a sunny summer afternoon, in the very midst of his fellow-men."

I could not sleep that first night for thinking of my dear dead father. I could not stop myself from picturing the awful scene, over and over again—the ghastly change in the dear face—the horrid wound—the pitiless murderer whose face I could not picture to myself.

Night after night I have lain awake thinking of him. My father has been much more often in my thoughts since we came to London than he was while we were at peaceful River Lawn, where I used to lie awake to hear the nightingale in the warm June nights, and where the sound of the river was always like a lullaby.

I want to see the house in which my father died. I want to see the room in which he was found lying stabbed to death.

This is the fancy that has tormented me ever since we took up our abode in London, ever since the roll of the wheels and the tramp, tramp, tramp of horses' feet have been in my ears. I feel as if I should think less of him, and be less haunted by the dreadful vision of that room if I could once see it in all its sordid reality, if I could know exactly what it is like.

I have entreated Cyril to take me there, but he steadfastly refuses, so I have made up my mind to go there without him. Mother and her husband are going to a grand dinner this evening, to meet Royalties; Cyril has gone to Oxford to dine with the Bullingdon Club. I shall have the evening all to myself, and I shall go to Denmark-street alone.

I suppose it is rather an awful thing for a girl of my age to go out after eight o'clock, and I have never been in the streets of London by myself at any hour; but I don't care to take even my good Broomfield, for she would most likely make as many objections as Cyril, and I might fail in getting inside the house I want to see. I would rather depend entirely upon my own cleverness.

I know where Uncle Ambrose leaves the latch-key which he always uses when he comes in from a walk, so I can let myself in as quietly as I let myself out. Our hall and staircase when the heads of the family are out might for silence and solitude as well be in the sepulchre of one of the Pharoahs.

I shall put on my very plainest cloth gown, and a shabby little garden hat, so as to look like a work girl, or anything common or insignificant.

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I have seen that dreadful room—a commonplace, ill-furnished room in a shabby lodging-house, and the sight of it will haunt me to my dying day. Cyril was right and I was wrong. It was a senseless thing to do, and I ought to have left it undone.

Everything happened as I hoped. The pretended headache did me good service. I was mistress of my time and actions before nine o'clock. I slipped off my tea-gown and dressed myself for the character of a young woman in search of a respectable lodging at seven shillings a week. I suppose that is about the price work girls pay.

The evening was grey and dull, not dark, but thick and heavy, with an oppressive feeling in the atmosphere, as of stored up heat and dust—such a different atmosphere from the cool dewy air in the garden at Laraford on a midsummer night.

I had studied the map of London, and had carefully made out my way to Denmark-street, but seeing a benevolent-looking old cabman, with a red nose, creeping along close to the curb in Brooke-street, I hailed him, and told him to drive me to St. Giles' Church.

"So I will, my dear, and I wish I was going to drive you there to be spliced," he said, which shows how thoroughly common I must have looked in my garden hat, or it might be that the old man had been drinking, for he rattled the cab over the stones, and zig zagged across the road in a really dreadful manner.

I am not a fainting young person, indeed I never fainted in my life; but last night I was afraid that I was going to faint, and I had to struggle against a swimming in my head, and a painful sense of lightness which made me totter a little as after leaving the cab I turned into Denmark-street.

It was very quiet there. The street had an old-fashioned respectable air, which would have given me confidence if I had really been a hard-working young woman in search of a lodging. Some of the houses looked the picture of neatness, others were shabby and squalid. Against every door I observed a row of brass bells, which showed that there were several tenants in each house.

I saw the number I was in search of from the opposite side of the way. Yes, that was the tailor's workshop, and it might have been one of those men working there who heard my father's murderer go singing down the stairs, fresh from his deed of blood. I think the idea of that, and the horror of it, braced my nerves, for I felt less like fainting as I crossed the road and knocked at the door of the fatal house.

I waited for some minutes before anyone came to the door, though I knocked a second time. Then a woman appeared, an elderly woman, who looked at me curiously.

I told her I wanted a lodging—a respectable room at seven shillings a week; but she answered rather sharply that she only let lodgings to men—why prefer men, I wonder—and she was going to shut the door in my face, when I grew desperate, and stopped her by laying my hand upon her arm.

"There was a murder eight years ago in this house," I said. "Let me see the room where it was done, and I'll give you seven shillings."

I would as soon have offered her a sovereign, but I had got the sum of seven shillings in my mind in connection with the rent of a lodging, and I offered her that unthinkingly. It was enough, however, for she snapped at my offer.

"Come in," she said, looking at me very hard and very suspiciously all the time. "That's a curious fancy of yours. You haven't anything to do with the murderer, I hope."

"No, no, no," I cried.

"I'm glad of that," said she. "Ah, he was a devil, that man—a smooth-faced, smooth-tongued devil. The sight of him and the sound of his voice makes me sick and faint whenever I call him to mind. He put a blight upon me and my house. I've never been the same woman since."

I asked her what the man was like, finding that she was willing to talk, and she described his appearance in a great many words, but her words did not conjure up any distinct image.

He was good-looking and he was young. She did not take him for much over thirty. He was dark, with fine black eyes, and he wore a moustache, but no beard. He talked English, but he spoke like a foreigner. This was all I could gather from her.

She went slowly up the stairs before me, with a paraffin lamp in her hand, and she flung open the door of the back room on the second floor and told me to go in, holding up the lamp on a level with her head that I might see the room.

"I've kept it just as it was that day," she said. "I've never had a good let in all the eight years—not a permanency. There's a blight upon the room; but people come and look at it, as it might be you, and give me a trifle."

"Oh, how horrid of people," I said, forgetting myself, "how can they be so morbid?"

"Not more so than you, miss. It's human nature," she answered.

I looked at the room, a square common-looking room, with very shabby furniture, a single window looking out upon roofs and chimney stacks. All looked dark and dreary—the light of the flaring lamp only made the squalid furniture look more squalid. Oh, what a scene to meet those dying eyes! What horror in that one supreme agony to feel himself caught like a snared bird, trapped in such a hole as this! "How did he look? where did you find him lying?" I asked; and then she described that ghastly sight, showing me the spot where our dear one lay, and gloating over every detail.

I could have shrieked with agony as I listened to her. She had put down her lamp on the table, and she clawed my wrist with her skinny fingers as she pointed with the other hand to the floor, and she acted over all the scene, "as it might be here," "as it might be there," and she dwelt upon the look of the dead face until my heart seemed to turn to stone.

Quite numbed and cold, as if I had been in a nightmare dream, I went out into the dark street. I made up my mind to walk home. I walked on blindly for some distance. I had lost all sense of time, and when I heard a church clock strike and counted the strokes I was surprised to find that it was only ten.

It was almost immediately after this that I came into a long shabby-looking street, which looked so empty and desolate that I felt as much alone in it as if I had been walking in one of our Berkshire lanes. There was only one lighted spot in the street, and that looked like a hotel or a restaurant.

It was a restaurant; as I got nearer on the opposite side of the street I saw the name—

RESTAURANT DU PAVILION.

I was walking slowly, meaning to ask the first policeman I met to put me in the right way to Grosvenor-square, and not caring even if I went out of my way, for the cool air and the movement were helping me to get calmer, when three men came pouring out of the lighted doorway, talking and laughing in a boisterous kind of way that made me think they were tipsy. One of them saw me, and called out something to his friends in French, to which the others replied in the same language, but I could not understand a word they said. I hurried my steps, and tried to get out of their reach, but the man who had spoken first came across the road and began to talk to me, in English this time, asking me where I was going, and whether I would go to a music hall with him and his friends.

I was furious. I shook myself free from the wretch's touch, and I looked up and down the street in despair for someone who would help me.

"How dare you speak to me or touch me, you most odious creature?" I cried, and then he took off his hat, in mocking acknowledgment of an imaginary compliment. I saw in the light of the lamp close above us that he had a swarthy complexion, like an Italian's, and black eyes, and I remembered with a shudder the woman's description half an hour before.

He pretended to think that my anger was only assumed, and went on with his hateful compliments and offers of supper and champagne at the Oxford, and I saw in my despair that there was not a mortal in sight to whom I could appeal for protection.

Just as I was beginning to lose my coolness and courage, however, I looked down the street again, and this time there was a promise of rescue in the shape of a hansom cab coming along rapidly, with two great flaming lamps, like a dragon with fiery eyes, the good dragon that comes to rescue forlorn damsels and not to eat them.

I ran into the road and hailed the driver without stopping to see if the cab was empty. While I waved my hand in frantic appeal—how ashamed of myself I feel to-day when I have to write about it in this coldblooded journal—somebody inside the cab dashed his stick up through the little trap door in the roof just as frantically. The driver pulled up sharp, and a big middle-aged man got out of the cab and came to me.

How thankful I felt that he was so big and so middle-aged. I felt the utmost confidence in him, almost as if he had been my uncle.

"Is there anything the matter?" he asked, looking at my persecutors.

"Yes," I answered, "one of these men has been horridly rude to me. They have all been rude, but that one," I pointed to my worst tormentor, "has been the most offensive."

"He will not be offensive any more, unless he wants to be thoroughly well kicked," said my friend, and he looked as if he would like to do it. "My cab is quite at your service. Where shall I tell the man to drive you?"

"To Grosvenor-square. My name is Hatrell—Miss Hatrell."

I repeated the name very distinctly, for I wanted my unknown friend to understand that I was not ashamed of myself, although he found me in such a disagreeable position.

Two of my assailants had sneaked off already, with a laugh and an air of being quite at their ease; but my chief tormentor stood as if he were glued to the pavement, staring at me in a dull and stupid way, while I got into the cab, and shook hands gratefully with my nameless friend. He had been noisy enough a few minutes before, when he was doubtless in the loquacious stage of intoxication, but now he seemed to have passed into a silent and stony stage which was like absolute stupefaction.

One of his friends turned to look after him when they had gone some little way ahead.

"Hallo, Duverdier! Are you going to stand there all night?" he called out.

So my tormentor's name is Duverdier?

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I stopped the cabman at the corner of the square, paid him to his perfect satisfaction, for I just emptied the silver in my porte-monnaie into his hand, and walked quietly to our own door, where I let myself in like a thief in the night.

(To be continued.)

QUIPS AND CRANKS.

"You don't chew tobacco, do you, little boy?" "No, ma'am, but I can give yer a cigarette."

Prison Visitor: "Why are you here, my poor man?" Convict: "Because I can't get out; that's why I'm here."

Don't be calm. If you've got to be anything of the kind, be a mud turtle. Then you may have some snap to you.

Edith: "It's little things that tell in this life." Alice: "Well, you'd think so if you had two small brothers, as I have."

Housekeeper: "Is not this lump of ice rather diminutive?" Polite iceman: "You should remember, madame, that cold contracts."

On a sun-dial which stands upon the pier of Brighton is inscribed this most hopeful line: "'Tis always morning somewhere in the world."

"I think I know now," said the man who had taken the twenty-cent piece for twenty-five, what is meant by the expression 'contracted quarters.'"

"Can Love Sin?" is the title of a new novel. We have not had the felicity of a perusal of the work, but presume it must be a companion story to that other literary gem: "Can a Duck Swim?"

Madge: "Who are those flowers for?" Maude: "I haven't made up my mind yet whether to send them to Dixy or to that lovely wife murderer they are going to execute to-morrow."

Sluggers: "There goes a fellow who possesses every kind of vice. He's a smith." Swift: "Ah! but he has just passed a man whose hands are literally steeped in blood. He's our butcher."

"Are you sure it was the spirit of Lindley Murray who came at the medium's call?" "Oh, yes; he said so himself. I said, 'I want the spirit of Lindley Murray,' and the ghost replied, 'I'm him.'"

Father: "Don't you ever let me see you sitting in a hammock with a young man again." Dutiful daughter: "All right, pa. I'll have it removed to a place that isn't overlooked by your study window."

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